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TURBULENT SCENES IN PARIS DURING STAVISKY DEMONSTRATIONS

U.S. WHEAT STATES JOIN SILVER BLOC NEW AGITATION FOR BIMETALLISM.

ROOSEVELT CONSIDERS POLICY

Washington, To-day. Speculation in the United States over the prospects of a new monetary move by President Roosevelt has been received as the result of conferences here, at which he is believed to have scrutinized a monetary programme.

The President first saw Mr. Eugene Black, Chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, and Mr. Rene Leon, a prominent silver authority.

Afterwards, he conferred with Mr. Henry Morgenthau and Mr. Homer S. Cummings, the Attorney General.

Devaluation of the Federal Reserve's gold a commodity dollar, and silver, were topics, but the results of the talks were not disclosed.

Meanwhile, the agitation for bimetalism has spread in Congress from the silver States to those States within the wheat belt.

Regarding the Treasury taking possession of the Federal Reserve's gold, Government supporters insist that they have authority to do this, but Senator Thomas insists that special legislation is necessary.

The Federal Reserve Board is reported as willing to credit the Treasury with the profit from devaluation, but is opposed to the physical seizure of its gold.—Reuter

MONETARY POLICY IN AMERICA.

Roosevelt Confers With Officials.

SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL. (By Telegraph, Copyright, Telegraphic Messages Ordinance, 1894. Received January 12, 12.55 p.m.)

Washington, To-day. The United Press learns from authoritative quarters that President Roosevelt, the Secretary of the United States Treasury, Mr. Henry Morgenthau, and the Attorney General, Mr. Homer S. Cummings, have discussed a general monetary policy, including the Treasury's recapture of the Federal Reserve gold supply.—United Press, per S.C. Gold Bar Co.

BANK DEPOSITS INCREASE

U.S. Insurance Scheme Effective.

SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL. (By Telegraph, Copyright, Telegraphic Messages Ordinance, 1894. Received January 12, 8.49 a.m.)

Washington, To-day. A nation-wide survey of bank deposits in America, made by the United Press, shows that they have increased as much as 50 per cent. in some cases since the deposit insurance became effective.

The retiring Chairman, Mr. Cummings, said that approximately \$4,000,000 of individual deposits in 13,431 banks were protected by as much as U.S.\$2,500 apiece.

The United States Government has offered U.S.\$125,000,000 in three-month Treasury Bills to the highest bidder, of which U.S.\$75,525,000 will be payable to pay the bills maturing on January 17.

The remainder will be added to the Treasury's current U.S.\$750,000,000 cash balance.—United Press, per S.C. Gold Bar Co.

FRANCE TO RESTORE FULL QUOTAS TO BRITAIN

Understanding Follows Foreign Office Discussions

London, To-day. It is stated at the Foreign Office that following the discussions with the French authorities the latter have decided to restore, within the next few days, to 100 per cent. the quotas respecting "A very abundant list of United Kingdom products." The situation will be further examined by the United Kingdom Government as soon as details of the forthcoming French action are known.—British Wireless Service.

U.S. WAR DEBTS COLLECTION

Senate Abandons Weird Scheme.

NO DISCRIMINATORY TAXES ON LIQUOR IMPORTS

SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL. (By Telegraph, Copyright, Telegraphic Messages Ordinance, 1894. Received January 12, 8.40 a.m.)

Washington, To-day. The United States Senate, without a vote, yesterday repassed the Liquor Bill after killing Senator Clark's amendment for a discriminatory tax on wines and liquor imported from countries in arrears with war debt payments, by 44 votes to 30.

The defeat of the amendment was due to the Administration members' efforts plus Speaker Rainey's statement that the House of Representatives would refuse it.—United Press per S.C. Gold Bar Co.

The gross amount received in Great Britain from motor licenses during last year amounted to £29,201,000, compared with £28,411,000 in the previous 12 months.

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MOTOR VEHICLES IN BRITAIN IN 1933.

Increase Of 85,200 Over 1932.

REVENUE FROM LICENSES UP BY £790,000.

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FANLING SWEEP WINNER

Gives Donation To St. John Brigade.

The Hon. Treasurer of the St. John Ambulance Brigade acknowledges with thanks the receipt of the following donations towards the St. John Ambulance Brigades:

Mr. Chau On, (winner of the 1st Prize Fanling Hunt and Race Club Sweep), \$600.
Mr. Fung Kwong Un, \$30.40.
The first prize in the Fanling Hunt Sweep was \$30,537.

HUNDREDS INJURED, 700 ARRESTED

FATEFUL DEBATE IN CHAMBER

PREMIER PROMISES CLEAN-UP AMONG POLITICIANS AND MAGISTRATES

PARIS, TO-DAY.

THE FATEFUL DEBATE ON THE BAYONNE BOND FRAUD WHICH OPENED YESTERDAY IN THE FRENCH CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES, HAS BEEN ADJOURNED UNTIL TO-DAY AFTER A SPATE OF RECRIMINATIONS WHICH BROUGHT THE MINISTERS AND DEPUTIES CONCERNED HASTILY TO THEIR FEET IN REPUDIATION.

A fine impression was created by the Premier, M. Chautemps, who finally rose and spoke spiritedly without notes. He professed unconcern whether his Cabinet was overthrown or not, but expressed his determination to secure a thorough clean-up regardless of personalities or family ties (the Public Prosecutor, M. Pressard is the Premier's brother-in-law) and to prevent a repetition of such scandals.

He promised measures against the Magistrates responsible for Stavisky's trial being postponed 19 times and concluded with a rousing appeal to the Chamber to rally behind the Government to save the Parliamentary regime and public morality.

Though the Right and Centre Parties were silent prolonged cheers from the other benches signified that it is most probable that the Government will emerge safely to-day.—Reuter.

BRITISHER'S DEATH DUE TO SUICIDE

Theory That Copp Shot Himself.

THREE OF FOUR DETAINED MEN SET FREE

Tokyo, To-day. It is learned from an authoritative source in Yokohama that a pistol was found within a few inches of where the body was found of Mr. Alfred Copp, chartered accountant, whose death has stirred up much speculation here. The finding of the weapon indicates that Copp apparently shot himself on the sea-wall, the body falling into the sea with the pistol.

Of the four British subjects arrested Mr. Kruger, a marine surveyor, is expected to be released immediately. The other three men, Mr. Parsons, of the Singer Sewing Machine Company, Mr. Sheffield, fourth mate on the P. & O. "Corfu," and Mr. Attree, third wireless operator on the same vessel, have already been allowed to go.

It transpires that Copp left the New Grand Hotel at 12.45. His watch was found to have stopped at 12.55, indicating that he was shot within a few minutes of leaving.

Although Mr. Kruger is still being detained the police tend to the belief of suicide, and his release is shallow water under the sea-wall.—Reuter.

FALSE JAPANESE LABELS

N.R.A. Emblem On 4,000 Cases Of Fish.

Washington, To-day. The United States Customs have seized 4,000 cases of Japanese tunny fish bearing the National Recovery Administration's "Blue Eagle" emblem which may only be used in the United States on goods produced under the N.R.A. conditions.—Reuter.

POLICE CHARGE CROWDS.

Demonstrators Erect Barricades In Roads.

Paris, To-day. Columns of Slavsky demonstrators, with renewed turbulence, tried to reach the Chamber of Deputies during the debate.

Repeated police charges countered the demonstrators who were erecting barricades in the middle of the main roads and using railings as weapons.

Numerous people were injured on both sides, and plenty of arrests were made.—Reuter.

Seven hundred arrests were made during the demonstrations outside the French Parliament yesterday afternoon.

Thirty police and 30 demonstrators have been admitted to the hospitals, but hundreds of others are known to have been injured.—Reuter.

NEW MINISTER TO CHINA.

Sir George Cadogan Farewelled.

DINNER PARTY AT REFORM CLUB.

London, To-day. Sir George Cadogan, the recently appointed British Minister to China, was the guest of honour at a farewell dinner party given by the Foreign Secretary, Sir John Simon, at the Reform Club, last night.

The guests included the Chinese Minister to London, Mr. Kuo Tai-chi, Mr. Wei Cheng-chen, Viscount Cecil, Sir Austen Chamberlain, Sir Philip Sassoon and Sir Roderick Jones.

Messages of good wishes for Sir George Cadogan were received from the Premier, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, Lord Canningham, and Mr. Arthur Henderson.



A Delegation from Burma has arrived in London to meet Sir Samuel Hoare, Secretary of State for India, to discuss the future of the constitution of their country, and its relationship with India. Separation from India is an important point of the discussion.—The delegation in conference at their hotel in London. In the centre is Dr. Miss Saw Sa, F.R.C.S., seated between M. Ba Pe and S. A. Tyabyl. Around them are Dr. Ba Maw, M. Chit Hlaing, M. Thein Maung and M. Shway Tha. Dr. Miss Saw Sa studied medicine in England. (S. & G.)

RELIGIOUS CRISIS IN GERMANY

Primate Left Without Church Cabinet.

INTOLERABLE POSITION

Berlin, To-day. Dr. Frick, the Minister of the Interior yesterday stated that it was agreed at a conference with pastor Bodelschwingh that the conditions of government of the United Evangelical Church of Germany were intolerable.

Pastor Bodelschwingh was a rival candidate for the office of Primate of the Church and is one of the leaders of the opposition to Bishop Mueller, the present Nazi Primate. Meanwhile Pastor Beyer, the only minister left in Bishop Mueller's Church Cabinet, has resigned, leaving the Primate without even a provisional Cabinet.—Reuter.

CHINESE INSULTED IN GERMANY.

Offender Gaoled.

EXAMPLE FOR POLITENESS TO FOREIGNERS.

Berlin, To-day. A German has been sentenced to six months' imprisonment for insulting a Chinese merchant at a Duesseldorf restaurant, by calling him a "kafir" and a "dirty Japanese merchant." The accused pleaded for leniency, but the Court decided to make an example of him so that all foreigners should be shown politeness.—Reuter.

YOUNG MARSHAL'S INTENTIONS.

Receives Telegram From Chiang Kai-shek.

Shanghai, To-day. It is understood that Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang has received a telegram from General Chiang Kai-shek, but the contents have hitherto not been made public.—Reuter.

KUOMINTANG CONGRESS POSTPONEMENT

Shanghai, To-day. It is reliably learned that further postponement of the Kuomintang Congress, scheduled for January 20, is likely, as many members of the Central Executive Committee have been unable to attend.

TROUBLE AT NEW BANK SITE

Delay In Payment Causes Riot.

AMICABLE SETTLEMENT AT POLICE STATION

A mild commotion was caused in the city at about 2.30 this afternoon when a large band of Shanghai workmen from the new Hong Kong and Shanghai building site marched through Pedder Street on their way to the Central Police Station.

A hundred yards or so ahead were a couple of Chinese foremen, who appeared to be particular about keeping a fair distance between themselves and the workmen. It was learned at the Central Police Station that the Chinese subcontractor had failed to pay the men their wages and had been set upon by the workmen.

At the Police Station the matter was settled to the satisfaction of both parties, the men returning to work shortly afterwards.

DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE

Sir J. Simon Reports To President.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING TO BE FIXED

London, To-day.

Sir John Simon, the Foreign Secretary, accompanied by Mr. Strang of the Foreign Office, saw the President of the Disarmament Conference, Mr. Arthur Henderson, at his flat yesterday and informed him of the present position arising out of the "parallel and supplementary efforts" now in progress through diplomatic channels.

Mr. Agnides, Director of the Disarmament Section of the League of Nations, was also present.

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U.S. AIR ARMADA

San Francisco-Honolulu Flight.

Honolulu, To-day. Having accomplished the longest single-stage manned flight in history, the U.S. Army Air Corps' flying boat, which left San Francisco on Wednesday, arrived here yesterday.—Reuter.

SERIOUS MADRID RIOTS BY FASCISTS

EX-DICTATOR'S SON INVOLVED.

DAGGERS, CUDGELS AND IRON BARS USED

Madrid, To-day. One Fascist was shot dead and several wounded in clashes between the Fascists and workers in the centre of the city, yesterday. The Combatants used daggers, cudgels and iron bars.

Signor Jose Antonio Primo de Rivera, son of the late Spanish Dictator, General Primo de Rivera, who is the leader of the Fascists, was involved in the disturbance. The Police charged repeatedly, and 50 arrests were made. Fascists, selling their newspaper, were the cause of the outbreak.—Reuter.

[A photograph of Jose de Primo appears on Page 3].

SECRET MEETINGS ON RUBBER

Smuggling Into Straits Settlements.

The Hague, To-day. A further secret meeting on rubber restriction was held here yesterday. It is understood that the meeting discussed the fixation of a high quota for native planters in order to discourage smuggling to the Straits Settlements. Discussion showed that the problem was surrounded by difficulties. The meeting will re-assemble at Amsterdam, later.—Reuter.

GAR WOOD'S PLANE CRASHES.

Narrow Escape For Speedboat Ace.

ONLY A COLD "DUCKING."

Port Huron, Michigan, To-day. Commodore Gar Wood, American motorboat racing ace, was involved in an aeroplane crash yesterday when the plane landed in a large puddle covered with thin ice.

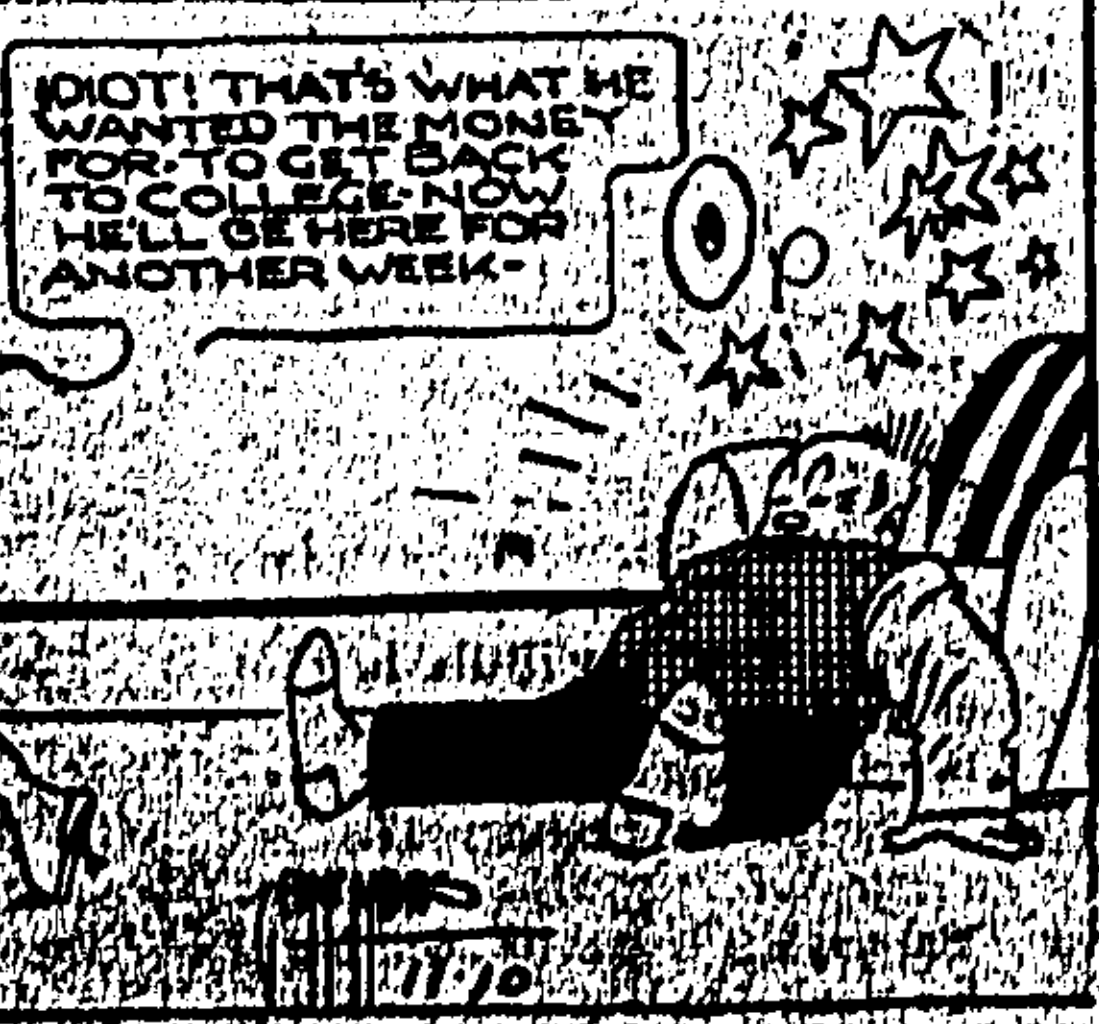
It is understood that the successful defender of the Harmaworth Trophy against Mr. Hugh Scott Paine, the British ace, was uninjured.

A later cable states that Garwood was uninjured.—Reuter.

WARWICKSHIRE RUGBY CHAMPIONSHIP WIN

North Midlands Beaten

London, To-day. Warwickshire beat the North Midlands by 12 points to 8 in the County Rugby Championship at Coventry yesterday.—Reuter. The winning fifteen is composed mainly of players from Coventry and Worcester.



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Mt. Parker	1,764
Mountain Lodge	1,728
The Erris	1,725
Peak Hotel	1,505
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Mainland.	Feet
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BRIDGE NOTES

CONTRACT BRIDGE BY ANCHORITE

XXXV

(This series of articles is based on Culbertson's system of bidding). (Continued)

A double is for penalties when: 1. Partner has previously bid, even if the opponents' doubled contract is only one odd, or 2. The doubled bid is at least two no-trump or a four bid in a suit. Any penalty double must be based on defeating the contract by two tricks. A free double or a double on a margin of one trick only is never advisable. A penalty double of suit bids below game contract should not be made, unless at least one trump trick is held by doubler.

The Rule

The Culbertson penalty double rule reads as follows:

Add the minimum number of honour tricks shown by partner's bid to honour tricks (and trump tricks, if any in the adverse suit) held in player's own hand, and subtract the total from 13. The balance will show the trick taking limits of the opponents' contract. If now the player expects to penalize the opponents by at least two tricks, the minimum margin of safety for any double, he may double when not expecting a greater gain at his own bid.

Example: Assuming that the dealer (South) opens with one club. West overcalls with one spade, and North holds: Spades Q J 10 9 6 4 Diamonds A K 7 Hearts 8 5 Clubs 9 4. The correct bid is a penalty double of the one spade bid. There are 4 tricks in spades, 2 in diamonds, plus 2 taking tricks shown by partner—in all at least 8 taking tricks. Opponents can therefore make at the most 5 out of the 13 tricks.

Partner should leave in the penalty double, even with a blank hand, unless his hand contains any important factor which is not known to doubler.

Partner should take out the penalty double when his hand contains certain important factors unknown to doubler.

Partner should take out the penalty double under the following conditions:

(1) When the distribution is very unbalanced (freakish), provided doubler is not aware of it.

(2) When it is evident that partner's hand is worthless against opponents' bid, provided, however, that it contains some elements of support for doubler's previous bid, and that the possible loss will not be serious.

(3) When partner, in bidding, has seriously misled doubler regarding the nature of his hand.

A safe penalty double against an adverse no-trump is based upon a count of honour tricks in the defending hands. If partnership hands can account for 5 honour tricks, the adverse one no-trump will, as a rule, be defeated by 2.

A no-trump response does not necessarily imply 1 honour trick, but shows a stopper in opponents' suit.

The only instance in which an overall in the suit bid by opponents does not require partner to take-out occurs when a take-out double is made first, followed by an overall.

In this situation, the overall in the adverse bid suit, far from being "locking" or showing a void in the opponents' bid suit, actually shows strength in that suit itself.

Example: South West North East

1 Heart Double No bid 1 Spade

No bid 2 Hearts

West's bid of two hearts shows

Figure in Spanish Turmoil



Jose Antonio Primo de Rivera (left) son of the late Dictator Primo de Rivera, who offered the services of the Fascist organization, of which he is leader, to the Spanish Government to aid in putting down disturbances which have taken toll of nearly 100 lives. At right Premier Diego Martinez Barrios who directs government forces in suppressing the disorders.

rule, a much stronger hand.

Overall in Opponents' Suit With a strong two-suiters and freaks, the take-out double should be avoided. In such situations an immediate overall in the adverse suit replaces the take-out double; it is a strength and a freak showing bid, and is like a gigantic take-out double.

Example: West (Dealer) bids one spade, North holds:

Spades — Diamonds A K 7 3

Heart A Q J 8 Clubs K Q J 4 2

and overcalls with two spades. It is one of the most interesting inferential bids in Contract, and should be used whenever possible.

The overall may be used in three different situations:

(1) At a low stage of the bidding, by the responding or opening bids having opened the bidding).

(2) At a low stage of the bidding, by the responding or opening hand (partnership having opened the bidding), in place of a forcing take-out or a forcing rebid.

(3) In higher stages of the bidding by any player. As a rule this bid shows that the hand guarantees controls of the first lead of opponents' suit.

An immediate overall in the opponents' bid suit, made by the defending hand, is a forcing bid to game with the special meaning of a powerful take-out double.

This bid shows a containing at least 4½ honour tricks, with a strong trump suit (4 sure trump tricks), or at least 4 honour tricks and a very freakish distribution usually with a void, the Ace or a singleton in the adverse suit—the total being at least 8 winners.

The player must always be prepared to find partner with a blank hand. In responding to an immediate overall in the opponents' bid suit, it is never necessary to jump the response, whatever honour strength is held, and the bidding must continue till game is reached.

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This kind of bid is an effective weapon against a "psychic" or bluff bid made by an opponent.

WILD LIFE FILM MADE IN MALAYA

Frank Buck's New "Thriller."

RECORD SIZE "RATTLER" CAUGHT

Hollywood.

Mr. Frank Buck, the man who brings wild animals back alive has cabled from Singapore that several weeks of good weather have enabled him to get all the material he wants for a new picture entitled "Wild Cargo" which is now in production, and that the film includes many thrills that were not originally contemplated. He succeeded in photographing the capture of a rare white rhinoceros and after the animal was thought to be safely secured it managed to break loose and charged his captors. It was recaptured only after a hard and dangerous fight but in spite of the danger Nicholas Cavallieri, the cameraman kept his cameras grinding and Mr. Buck says that this sequence alone has enough thrills to make a complete picture in itself.

Mr. Buck also succeeded in capturing a King Cobra snake of record proportions. It was his ambition to make this scene in 1932 when filming "Bring 'Em Back Alive" but although many King Cobras snakes were seen, they were all of only average size and rather than make this scene in a mediocre fashion, he waited until a really large snake could be found. Many experienced hunters claim that the King Cobra snake is the most dangerous foe of man that can be found in the jungle.

In addition to many thousand feet of film depicting the thrills of a big game hunter, Mr. Buck is "bringing home alive" a large assortment of animals he succeeded in bringing while on his trip—Reuter.

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1.15 p.m.—A relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Orchestra from the Hong Kong Hotel Grill Room by courtesy of the Management.
1.30 p.m.—Rugby Press News, etc.
2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
2.30 p.m.—Relay of Dance Music From The Lido Crawford's Restaurant.
4.30-7.35 p.m.—Chinese programme.
7-12 midnight—European programme.
7 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations, etc.
7.3-7.30 p.m.—Musical Comedy.
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Vocal Gems—Follow a Star (Elite).
Selection—Bitter Sweet (Covary).
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7.30-8 p.m.—From the Studio.
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CURIOUS CASE IN NATAL

Maritzburg.

A 13-year-old warrant of arrest, tattered and soiled, its ink faded and its corners dog-eared, was an exhibit in a murder case before the City Magistrate's Court.

The warrant formed part of the papers in the case in which a native, Lili Mtolo, was charged with the murder of another native at New Hanover in January, 1920.

Following a tax defalcation recently, Mtolo was arrested on the warrant issued against him in 1920 and he appeared before Mr. T. S. Oliver, who adjourned the case.

The warrant bears the signature of the Magistrate at New Hanover on February 12, 1920.

There is also on the warrant a small additional note to the effect that a native constable had arrested the wrong man on the charge. It was written in March by a sergeant of the South African Mounted Rifles in charge of the police camp at New Hanover.

Early in April, 1920, the South African Police took over duty from the South African Mounted Rifles throughout Natal. The 13-year-old warrant must, therefore, be one of the last issued under the old South African Mounted Rifles regime—Reuter.

9.30-12 midnight—A relay of the Chorus Band from the Ladies Hockey Club. Dance at Lane Crawford's Restaurant by courtesy of the Management. (During the interval recorded music will be broadcast from the Studio).
10.30 p.m.—Rugby. Mid-day Press News.
12 midnight—Close Down.

POP—When A Man Needs Courage



By J. MILLAR WATT

64 CLUBS TO BATTLE IN THE F.A. CUP THIRD ROUND TO-MORROW

TOTTENHAM SHOULD BEAT EVERTON

WILL LUTON BE WALSHALL TO ARSENAL?

ASTON VILLA'S BIG TASK

(By RANGER)

HISTORY IS LIKELY TO REPEAT ITSELF IN THE THIRD ROUND OF THE F.A. CUP TO-MORROW WHEN EVERTON, CUP-HOLDERS, VISIT TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR AT WHITE HART LANE. LAST SEASON NEWCASTLE UNITED, HOLDERS, WERE ELIMINATED IN THEIR FIRST ROUND, AND ALL INDICATIONS POINT TO A DEFEAT FOR THE GOODISON PARK MEN TO-MORROW.

These fine football teams are far from being strangers in Cup-fights, and the classic ring about the names, coupled with the splendid feats of the 'Spurs this season, will probably make the Tottenham ground only about half as big as the officials would like it to be for this gripping contest.

The Arsenal, eliminated last year by Walsall in their first round, visit Luton, who beat the Spurs in the fourth round and were only beaten by Everton in the sixth round.



BRIGGS will be between the sticks for Swindon in their away Cup tie at Brighton to-morrow.

The Transfer System

NO ROOM FOR A REVISION.

PLAYER NO PAWN

IN the busy market place of professional football they are shaking their heads over the latest attempt to investigate—and, apparently, improve—the modern transfer system.

Mr. C. W. W. Brown, the former Corinthian half back, is to press for an inquiry. I am afraid his resolution, to be tabled at the next meeting of the F.A. Council, will secure a cold reception.

For, look at it how you may, there seems to be little room for a revision of the present scheme of things.

The Money "Taint," But—

THE money taint in sport may be regrettable, but in professional football cash is the life-blood of the clubs, great and small. The timely transfer of a player at a fat fee has saved more than one soccer Cinderella. In fact the majority of the Third Division clubs would go out of existence were the transfer system not in operation.

Transfer Rests With Player

MUCH foolish talk is heard from time to time that transfers are nothing short of "bartering in flesh and blood." No such thing. The facts are: A player cannot be transferred against his will—no matter the size of the cheque dangled, as bait before the eyes of his club. The player is the chief man in transfer negotiations. He is no pawn, moved willy-nilly by hard-headed football financiers. On him alone rests the final decision.

\$25,000 Team For Twopence

A Plunge into the transfer market does not necessarily mean that a successful bidder can gather together an invincible team. Take the case of Everton, who, in the 1928-7 season, spent \$25,000 on wages and transfer fees. They fared disastrously. After one bad match a hawk was selling photographs of the Everton side outside Goodison Park. "All the Everton team for twopence," he yelled.

Chelsea, too, have First Division opponents and recent holders of the trophy in West Bromwich Albion, and unless there is a very great change for the better in Chelsea's football soon, this match will look a "good thing" for West Bromwich, in spite of their rather inconsistent form this season.

Much the same has to be said of Millwall's chances, even against Accrington, for Millwall have been playing without confidence, and their position at the bottom of the Second Division table will be sure to cause them a good deal of worry, and may even compel the club to pay more attention to its league position than to any hope of progressing far in the Cup.

There are solid grounds for believing that West Ham will succeed at home against Bradford City, of their own Division of the League; and also every hope for Charlton, who will be receiving Aldershot.

This tie will bring into opposition the managerial wits of the brothers Seed, for Jimmy manages Charlton Athletic and Angus is in charge of Aldershot. Strangely enough these two brothers were thrown into opposition in the Cup last season, but in rather different circumstances. A year ago Jimmy Seed's team, Clapton Orient, was knocked out at home in the first round, before the big clubs started playing by Angus's team, Aldershot, at Ley Bridge.

Turning to the London clubs drawn to play away, there is sure to be a heap of discussion whether the Arsenal, who must play at Luton, have drawn another Walsall. Last season Luton surprised everyone in football by gaining a fine victory at home in the fourth round of the Cup over Tottenham Hotspur on a frost-bound ground, and there are sure to be visions of the Arsenal being treated similarly by Luton.

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Bradford City have signed Fenner, the Nottingham inside right. He joined the County from Wigan six years ago.



SPECIAL CUP FORECAST

(Exclusive to "China Mail")

Plymouth	CRYSTAL	Palace	Aldershot
Manch. U.	Wokington	Manch. U.	Wokington
SOUTHAMPTON	Wokington	Manch. U.	Wokington
CHELSEA	Wokington	Manch. U.	Wokington
LEEDS	Wokington	Manch. U.	Wokington
GRIMSBY	Wokington	Manch. U.	Wokington
TRANMERE	Wokington	Manch. U.	Wokington
BOLTON	Wokington	Manch. U.	Wokington
SUNDERLAND	Wokington	Manch. U.	Wokington
MILLWALL	Wokington	Manch. U.	Wokington
WOLVES	Wokington	Manch. U.	Wokington
CHELTENHAM	Wokington	Manch. U.	Wokington
LIVERPOOL	Wokington	Manch. U.	Wokington
SWANSEA	Wokington	Manch. U.	Wokington
LEICESTER	Wokington	Manch. U.	Wokington
TOTTENHAM	Wokington	Manch. U.	Wokington
WEST HAM	Wokington	Manch. U.	Wokington
BURNLEY	Wokington	Manch. U.	Wokington

The Goal Scorers

DIVISION I.	Goal Scorers
Bowers (Derby C.)	18
Cannell (Midd.)	15
English (Liverpool)	14
McLean (Huddersfield)	14
Gurney (Sunderland)	11
Hydes (Leeds)	11
Dunne (Arsenal)	10
Hunt (Spurs)	10
Richardson (Hull)	10
DIVISION II.	Goal Scorers
Glaver (Grimby T.)	19
Watson (West Ham)	14
Blackmore (Bradford)	14
Drake (Shamilton)	12
Hampson (Blackpool)	12
Holliday (Brentford)	12
Johnson (Plymouth)	12
Johnson (Brentford)	11
Nolan (Port Vale)	11
McNaughton (Hull)	11
DIVISION III. (S.)	Goal Scorers
Pearce (Charlton)	18
Simpson (Palace)	16
Bourton (Coventry)	14
Vinall (Norwich)	14
Lake (Coventry)	12
McKay (Bristol R.)	12
Warran (Norwich)	12
Newton (Reading)	12
DIVISION III. (N.)	Goal Scorers
Alton (Walsall)	17
Lythgoe (Stockport)	17
Wesley (Gateshead)	17
Barnford (Wrexham)	16
Cook (Chesterfield)	16
Hewitt (Hartlepool)	16
Bright (Barnsley)	16
Bell (Tranmere)	16
Robinson (Barrow)	16

SNOOPING AROUND

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE OF SPORT

THE song of to-morrow's Cup-fighters: "It's a Long Way to Tipperary—and Further Still to Wembley."

Players in the Australian Test trial at Melbourne declined an invitation to see a moving picture of Larwood in action.

As bad as being asked to watch a close-up of your own funeral!

John de Forest, amateur golf champion of 1932, has taken over the management of a London Restaurant.

He knows quite a number of good courses, anyway.

Harvey has been described as having the grace of a ballet dancer. Petersen probably thought him a ballet nuisance.

The man caught picking pockets at an Aberdeen football match is now an inmate of an asylum.

"Just like being at home," as the boxer said after he had had two teeth knocked out.

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SPURS ARE FAVOURED FOR LEAGUE

Wealth Of Reserve Talent.

Huddersfield's Chance

W. H. Smith, the veteran Huddersfield outside left, has a nice sense of humour.

They gave him his fourth benefit cheque for £650 recently and this is what he said in reply to Mr. John McKenna, the Football League president.

"I have been playing for Huddersfield for 20 years, and when I have done another 20 I shall be ready to go over to the other wing."

Seriously, though, Smith quite expects to earn a fifth benefit. He is still playing great football and staying the course with the youngsters.

Smith has won all the honours the game can offer—international caps, League championship medals, and Cup Final medals. He has been three times in the Final.

It would be a glorious year for him if this season Huddersfield again carried off the championship. They have a great chance because their side is largely youthful and likely to go on improving.

But my own fancy is for the 'Spurs, whose players also have their good years in front of them.

Tottenham probably have the strongest set of reserve players in the game—and all young. They are at the head of the London Combination table with a clear lead and matches in hand.

This strength in reserve is bound to tell later on.

OLDEST CLUB IN DIFFICULTIES

Sheffield United's Future Not Very Bright.

DREW UP FIRST RULES

THE oldest football club in the world, the Sheffield F.C., finds itself face to face with certain difficulties, following the death of its mainstay, Mr. H. B. Willey, who was president and hon. secretary for about half a century.

The club is anxious to get into touch with as many of its old members as possible. It hopes that those who have not travelled too far from home will be able to attend a meeting which has been called for the night of December 6, at the King's Head Hotel, Sheffield. Formed in 1855, the club has had a continuous existence, although, as every fit member joined the forces, no matches were played during the war.

The minute books for 1856-7 are still in existence, and in the possession of the acting hon. secretary, Mr. J. S. Lycett, of 242, Fulwood-road, Sheffield. The club drew up its own rules of the game, some of which formed the basis of the present rules.

THE NEW STYLE OF BARRACKING

Millwall And Cardiff Directors Criticised.

OFFICIAL BOX RUSHED

BARRACKING by football crowds seems to be taking a new turn. They have started on the directors now!

At Millwall the crowd kept up a running fire of criticism of the team who are now at the bottom of the Second Division, but the most angry outburst was reserved for the directors.

At the end of the match about 200 spectators waited round the players' entrances for the directors to cross the field from the stand and follow the teams in.

The remarks that were shouted at them must have made their ears burn, but what earthly good can demonstrations of this kind do?

At Cardiff, too.

There was a similar happening at Cardiff. When the news came through that Cardiff had lost at Brighton 4-0 the crowd, who had been watching a reserve game, made a rush for the directors' box. They remained there for some minutes, shouting and demonstrating and demanding new players.



FRANK SOO, the only Chinese player in English professional football, will be playing at inside left for Stoke against Bradford in the Cup to-morrow.

AMATEUR CUP

Holders Win Narrowly Against Wycombe.

OXFORD CITY BEATEN

London, Dec. 10.

THE eyes of the Amateur football world have been turned this week towards the 32 matches in the first round of the R.A. Amateur Cup competition, which were played yesterday.

In almost every instance, the ground was frozen hard and the light ball, bouncing high and wildly on a concrete-like surface, was extremely difficult to control. Hence there were many unexpected results.

Only four of the thirteen Isthmian clubs managed to get through, the holders of the Cup, Kingstonian, just defeating Wycombe Wanderers by a solitary goal.

Here is a full list of the results:

North Nomads	Evenwood Town
Ferryhill Ath.	1 Whitehall
Marine	2 Cockfield
South Auk	2 Gulseley
Bishop Auckland	3 Willington
Moors Green	1 Yshire
Amateur City	1
Ampley	2 Oxford City
Enfield	3 St. Albans
Wimbledon	2 Woking
London	1
Caledonians	2 Leytonstone
Kingstonian	1 Wycombe
Barking	1 Tufnell Park
The Casuals	1 Uxbridge
Metros Police	2 Gorsestons
Dulwich Hamlet	2 Finchley
Leavesden	2 Clapton
Walthamstow Av.	2 Slough
Leyton	2 Boacall Heath
St. Batt. D'ham	1
L.L. 5 Whitty Utd.	1
Hetton Colliery	2 W.D.U.
Portrack	1 Shamrocks
Shamrocks	1 Stockton
Rawmarsh W'fare	5 Nether Edge
St. Neots & Dist.	1 (Northampton)
Keynsham	1 Frome Town
Portland Utd.	2 Poole Town
B'mouth Gasworks	2 Western
Maidenhead	2 Morris Motors
Barnet	4 Isurwich Town
Sutton Utd.	3 Erith & Belvedere
Hitchin Town	0 Chesham Utd.
Horsham	2 Great Yarmouth T. O
home team	

RANGER'S FORECAST

English League.

THIRD DIVISION (North)	Goals
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Darlington (1) v WALSALL (1)	12 9 2 1 34 19 10 5 3 2 16 17 12 31

THIRD DIVISION (South)	Goals
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Queens Park (4) v St. Mirren (2)	12 9 2 1 34 19 10 5 3 2 16 17 12 31
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FOOTBALL FORM GUIDE

Comprehensive Table Showing Form of Clubs at A Glance

A comprehensive guide to the form of all the major English Football League clubs will be found in the tables given below. To assist in comparing the teams, details of how they have fared in their last five matches are given. The letters W, L and D indicate matches won, lost or drawn, respectively. Games played at home are shown in capital letters and away games in small type. The figures in brackets denote the position held by that team at the conclusion of last season. The asterisk indicates a promoted team and the sword signifies a relegated team.

The League positional tables give home and away details and include all matches played to date.

FIRST DIVISION.										HOME					AWAY					Tota								
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										P.	P.	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts	P.	P.	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts	
Arsenal (1) wLwDd										24	12	8	0	4	27	7	20	12	6	3	3	15	14	15	33			
Derby (5) lWWW										24	11	8	0	3	23	9	19	13	5	5	3	16	16	13	32			
Huddersfield (5) DwWdW										24	13	9	1	3	25	11	21	11	3	3	5	21	23	11	33			
Tottenham (4) lLWlW										25	12	8	3	1	30	16	17	13	5	5	3	17	12	13	30			
Manchester C. (16) lWdLd										25	13	7	3	3	24	19	17	12	3	4	5	11	22	11	27			
W. Brom. (4) lDdWl										25	11	7	1	3	28	11	17	14	3	7	4	17	17	10	27			
Middlesbrough (17)																												
dWlWl										24	12	10	2	0	27	15	20	12	3	8	1	9	29	7	27			
Blackburn (15)																												
DlLlW										25	13	10	0	3	37	16	23	12	1	10	1	8	35	3	24			
Wednesday (3)																												
WdDlWd										24	12	6	3	3	30	15	15	12	4	6	2	17	26	10	25			
Portsmouth (8)																												
dWlWl										24	12	6	2	2	4	15	8	16	12	3	6	3	14	20	9	22		
Wolves (18) WlWdW										24	13	8	3	2	34	21	18	11	1	5	5	11	29	7	25			
Newcastle (5) LdLW										25	13	5	1	7	30	17	17	12	3	8	1	18	29	7	24			
Sunderland (12)																												
DlDdDl										24	12	7	1	4	29	10	18	12	2	8	2	16	23	6	24			
Everton (11) wLdLW										24	12	6	5	1	23	20	10	12	2	4	6	17	21	10	23			
A. Villa (2) WdLdL										25	12	7	5	0	29	25	14	13	2	7	4	20	27	8	22			
Leeds (9) LWW										24	11	7	2	2	25	11	16	13	1	9	3	14	30	5	21			
Birmingham (13) lWdLl										24	11	3	3	5	14	8	11	13	2	6	5	12	17	9	20			
Liverpool (14) lDlId										25	12	5	3	4	25	20	14	13	2	9	2	19	26	11	27			
Leicester (20) lWdDd										23	12	4	4	4	18	17	12	11	2	6	3	15	19	7	19			
Stoke (-) LdLW										25	12	5	3	4	15	14	14	11	1	7	3	11	31	5	19			
Sheff. U. (10)																												
WlDdD										25	13	5	3	5	20	17	15	12	1	11	0	14	50	2	14			
Chelsea (18) DdWdD										24	12	5	5	2	21	19	12	12	0	9	3	10	29	3	21			
SECOND DIVISION.																												

NANNING RADIO SCHOOL

Kwangsi Government Programme.

ALL DISTRICTS COMPELLED TO SEND STUDENTS

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Wuchow, Jan. 9. The Kwangsi Provincial Government has established a Primary Radio School at Nanning, the capital city of Kwangsi Province. The opening of this new school is the first step taken by the Government toward introducing radio reception in the Province.

In furthering its radio programme the Government compels each one of the 110 Districts of Kwangsi Province to send one student to the Radio School at the expense of the local District.

After attending the Radio School for a period of three months, the successful students are graduated and return to their respective districts, where they put into operation a receiver, x-tube battery receiving set, which is furnished by the Provincial Government at the expense of each district.

All expenses connected with the operation of the radio sets are borne by the Districts where the sets are operated, including a salary of \$20 per month to the radio operator.

In some of the Districts where students have graduated and returned, the receiving sets are giving good service and, with sufficient dry battery power, as many as ten broadcasting stations have been logged by the operators.

The stations tuned in include Nanking, Tokyo, Manila, Hong Kong, and Canton. For the most part, however, they are content with receiving the daily news broadcast from Nanking.

The radio sets have been purchased from Hong Kong and bear the name of the dealer.

AUSTRALIANS IN HONG KONG

Association Elects New Committee.

ANNIVERSARY DAY TO BE CELEBRATED

A special meeting of the Australian and New Zealand Association was held yesterday afternoon at the Gloucester Building for the purpose of electing a Committee. Dr. H. D. Matthews presided.

The following were elected: President, Dr. H. D. Matthews; Vice President, Mr. F. Neill; Hon. Secretary, Mr. N. Stockton; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. J. M. KeMcher; Committee Members, Messrs. J. Hunter, A. W. Ingram, C. L. Tatham, J. R. Way and J. Wolfe.

Portingcoming Functions. Prior to the conclusion of the Meeting Dr. Matthews reminded members that a Gala Dance would be held at the Peninsula Hotel on January 26 to celebrate the Anniversary of the foundation of the first Colony in Australia.

Members were also informed that the Australian University Rugby football team would arrive in the Colony next Thursday, and that a tiffin, at which they would be present, would be held at the Exchange Restaurant.

UNEMPLOYED MAN GAOLED.

Coat Snatched From Outside Shop.

Li Hung, unemployed, convicted of stealing an overcoat from 294 Des Voeux Road Central, was this morning sentenced to six weeks' hard labour by Mr. Balfour at the Central Magistracy.

Inspector Brennan, prosecuting, stated that the accused was seen to snatch the coat, which was hanging outside the shop, using such force that the book was straightened out.

COMMENCING TO-MORROW

LESLIE HOWARD
HEATHER ANGEL
BERKELEY
A Little L. L. L. Production
AT THE KING'S

GOLF STARTING TIMES

Fanling Pairings.

THE following are the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club starting times for Fanling on Sunday:—

OLD COURSE	
9.28 a.m.	C. Milne H. Hampton.
9.32 "	W. M. Thomson H. H. Mundy.
9.36 "	A. W. Hodges C. G. Murrill.
9.40 "	T. A. Pearce L. R. Andrews.
9.44 "	A. M. Parker J. Coulthart.
9.48 "	C. E. Moore N. K. Littlejohn.
9.52 "	L. B. Holmes J. Forbes.
9.56 "	G. F. Rees H. H. Beddow.
10.00 "	B. D. Evans T. S. Whyte Smith.
10.04 "	A. Sommerfelt H. C. Pokins.
10.08 "	Major Eastwick Field Capt. Michell.
10.12 "	W. J. Waddington T. H. A. McCarthy.
10.16 "	S. S. Perry D. Ellis.
10.20 "	A. E. Thompson D. Harvey.
10.24 "	D. J. Geogh R. I. Cherrill.
10.28 "	J. W. Mayhew H. H. Pethick.
10.32 "	H. F. Phillips R. S. Johnson.
10.36 "	J. D. Kinnaid A. MacFarlane.
10.40 "	G. W. F. Booker T. C. Monaghan.
10.44 "	D. L. Prophet J. C. Dovey.
10.48 "	H. Hutchen J. N. Grant.
10.52 "	H. N. Williamson P. S. Grant.
10.56 "	G. F. Hole G. W. Sewell.
11.00 "	W. S. Hillier L. Goldman.
11.04 "	W. A. Stewart T. R. Chagela.
11.08 "	C. Thwaites E. C. Humphreys.
11.12 "	D. K. Bishop N. J. Perrin.
11.16 "	A. B. Raworth S. H. Dodwell.
11.20 "	A. C. I. Bowker J. R. Hinton.
11.24 "	D. H. Blake E. des Voeux.
11.28 "	C. H. Bradley E. H. Williamson.
11.32 "	A. E. Lissamen J. H. Geare.
NEW COURSE	
9.32 a.m.	C. T. Stellingwerff R. A. Rodgers.
9.40 "	O. Gordon L. C. Grover.
9.48 "	R. C. and Mrs. Webb.
9.56 "	J. N. Owen J. P. Warren.
10.04 "	Mrs. Mackie Miss Thomas.
10.12 "	A. B. Purves A. D. Humphreys.
10.20 "	Mrs. Perrin Miss Chalmers.
10.28 "	Mrs. Hillier Mrs. Goldman.
10.36 "	Mrs. Kinneir Mrs. MacFarlane.
10.44 "	N. Garland W. O. Lambert.
10.52 "	Mrs. Garland Mrs. Lambert.

LOCAL ST. DAVID'S SOCIETY.

Annual Meeting.

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE APPOINTED.

The annual general meeting of the Hong Kong St. David's Society took place last evening in the General Chamber of Commerce room, Chartered Bank Building. Mr. R. R. Davies presided.

Mr. E. C. Thomas was elected President for the coming year and Mr. W. H. B. Thomas Vice President, while Mrs. H. G. Hooper was appointed Hon. Secretary and Treasurer. Committee members elected were Messrs. Lloyd Jones, E. R. Price, D. F. Davis, Evan Jenkins, Captain Pritchard and Harry Owen-Hughes.

A Sub-Committee for the enrolment of new members was elected, comprising the President, Vice-President, and Hon. Secretary; the Rev. Mr. E. G. Powell and Mr. Evan Jenkins.

Annual Dinner. The arrangements for the annual dinner to be held on March 1 were left in the hands of another Sub-Committee, consisting of the President, Vice-President and Hon. Secretary.

The Hon. Secretary was empowered to extend an invitation to the Welsh Fusiliers, expected to arrive in the Colony during the year.

ANTI-MUL-TSAI SOCIETY.

Officials For 1934 Elected.

The results of the election of officials for 1934 have been announced as follows:—Chairman, Mr. Wong Sum-kun; Vice-Chairmen, Rev. Li Kau-yang and Mrs. Tso Shi-fong; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Wat Lok-hing; Hon. English Secretary, Mr. J. D. Bush; Hon. Chinese Secretary, Mr. Wong Shi-ting; head of the Propaganda Department, Mr. Mak Mul-sang; head of the Enquiry Department, Mr. Wong Tai-sun.

The elected Executive Committee is composed of the following members:—Messrs. S. C. Young and Wong Kam-yang and Mrs. Wong Wah-sum. Dr. Chau Wai-cheung and Dr. Yip Tai-ching were elected Honorary medical advisers and Messrs. Hin Shing Lo and Peter H. Shiu were elected honorary legal advisers.

LOCAL ESTATES

Chinese High Official Leaves \$17,200.

\$10,300 LEFT BY U. S. CHINESE LADY.

Chu Chao-hsin, alias Chao Tsiu-chu, alias Ding Ching, alias Ding Hing, alias Chu Ting-ching, late Inspector General for Foreign Affairs for the Five South-Western Provinces of the Republic of China, who died at No. 7 Sui Ning New Street, Wy Oy West Road, Canton, on December 11, 1932, left local estate sworn under \$17,200.

The deceased left a widow Chu Lok-ze, and four sons. The widow being declared mentally unsound and Chu Shu-nan, alias Charles Chu, alias Charles Chu-shu, the eldest son applied for and has been granted Letters of Administration to the estate.

Lee Jung Qui-moy, alias Jung Qui-moy, alias Qui-moy, married woman, late of San Francisco, California, U.S.A., who died on February 7, 1933, left local estate valued at \$10,300. Letters of Administration have been granted to James Templer Prior, solicitor and lawful attorney.

C. Mah So, alias Ma Sze, alias Ma Chun-po, late of Nam Long Village, Hok Shan District, Kwong Tung, who died intestate on July 21, 1933, left local estate sworn under \$6,800. Letters of administration have been granted to Ma Kwok-tung, student.

Yeung Hop, late of Nam Chong Village, Hok Shan District, Kwong Tung, who died on October 28, 1933, left local estate valued at \$4,200. Letters of Administration have been granted to Yeung Lau-shi, widow.

Wong Hing-chong, cook, late of Kingman, Arizona, U.S.A., who died intestate on May 28, 1933 left local estate valued at \$1,000. Letters of Administration have been granted to Wong Yiu-min, student.

Asa Otani, (Japanese), widow, late of 25 Wellington Street, who died on October 16, 1933, left local estate valued at \$1,500. Letters of Administration have been granted to Heijiro Furutani.

OLD HONG KONG RESIDENT DEAD.

Mr. A. W. Millar.

FUNERAL THIS AFTERNOON

The death occurred yesterday at the French Hospital of Mr. Andrew William Millar, of Lockhart Road, a well-known local resident, at the age of 65.

Deceased was born in Edinburgh and came to Hong Kong when a child with his parents. He was educated at the old Central Government School Hong Kong and for ten years was employed at Taikeo Dock as assistant head time-keeper. In 1912 Mr. Millar was employed at the Hong Kong and Whampoa Dock and in 1920 joined the firm of Messrs. Leigh and Orange, Civil Engineers, architects and surveyors as clerk of works. Nine years later he set up in a business of his own as a building contractor.

Mr. Millar was an active Freemason being a member of the St. Andrew's Royal Arch Chapter, No. 218 S. C., and a Master Mason of St. John's Lodge, Hong Kong, No. 618.

He leaves a widow, one son, a daughter-in-law and two grandchildren.

The funeral takes place this afternoon, passing the Monument at 5.15 p.m.

FUNERAL OF LATE MR. A. L. ALVES.

Choral Service.

MANY TOKENS OF RESPECT

The funeral of Mr. A. L. Alves, who died at the Canossa Hospital on Wednesday, took place yesterday afternoon at the Roman Catholic Cemetery, Happy Valley. The service, which was choral, was conducted by Father F. Spada, assisted by Fathers F. R. Noval, A. Granelli, N. Moestrini, L. Rossi and A. Roselli.

A large gathering attended the funeral, among those present being his two brothers, Chevalier J. M. Alves and H. A. Alves, Mr. and Mrs. Leo D'Almada e Castro (sirs), Leo D'Almada e Castro (sirs), C. D'Almada e Castro, J. A. S. Alves, E. Abraham, J. J. Basto, P. V. Botelho, F. H. Barnes, S. Berg, S. M. Churro, E. J. de Siqueira, C. Hirose, C. Kow, H. M. H. Nemuse, D. L. King, E. Pestonji, J. M. de Rocha, A. J. C. de Rocha, J. V. lativas and friends.

Post's Amazing Record May Stand for Years



Wiley Post's remarkable solo flight around the world in 7 days, 15 hours and 49 minutes, established a record that, in the opinion of aviation experts, will take years to beat. Here is how Post's record compares with other marks:

Ferdinand Magellan, 1519-22—by sailing vessel, 2 years, 11 months and 23 days.

Nellie Bly, 1889—by steamship and train, 72 days, 6 hours and 11 minutes.

John Henry Mears, 1913—steamship and train, 35 days, 21 hours.

Linton Wells and Edward Evans, 1926—by steamship, auto, airplane and train, 23 days, 14 hours, 6 minutes.

Mears and C. B. D. Collyer, 1928—by steamship and airplane, 23 days, 15 hours and 21 minutes.

Dirigible Graf Zeppelin, 1929-31 days, 7 hours, 34 minutes.

Post and Gatty, 1931—by airplane, 8 days, 15 hours and 49 minutes.

LITERARY NOTES

USEFUL BOOK FOR HOUSEWIVES

Basic Recipes Key Of Culinary Art.

PLANNING AND COOKERY

Basic Recipes as a Key to the Art of Cooking. (Weldons, 4s 6d.) Planning and the group system are the fashion nowadays, and the mode has spread to cookery. It has produced a most excellent book in "Basic Recipes," which makes plain the path of the housewife with a series of charts looking like a family tree in one of Mr. Walpole's novels. Over 500 different dishes—including many delicacies of Continental origin—blossom from the root of eighty basic recipes.

The bases of cooking, as here explained, are roasting, braising, frying, or grilling, dough of batter, white and brown roux, &c. Puddings, for instance are not classified together; e.g., fritters or pancakes come under the batter recipe, while chocolate pudding is classified under the basic recipe for choux pastry.

The book is illustrated with helpful, practical photographs, and has, furthermore, a washable cover, and a detailed, alphabetical index.

CHINESE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

Election Of Officers At Annual Meeting.

The annual general meeting of the Hong Kong Chinese Medical Association was held on Wednesday evening at Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, under the presidency of Dr. Chau Wai-cheung. The report was read by the Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, Dr. M. H. Hoahing. The office-bearers for 1934 are:—President, Dr. S. Wah Phoon; Vice-president, Dr. F. I. Tsung; Members of the council, Drs. Chau Wai-cheung, K. W. Ip, C. S. Sze, S. P. Li, M. H. Hoahing, Ed. Sun, W. K. Fok and S. F. Li.

The Hon. Secretary and Treasurer will be nominated by the President.

Remedios, A. W. da Rosa, C. A. da Rosa, A. R. F. Raven, J. M. D'Almada Remedios, A. H. Silver, P. M. N. da Silva, A. V. Silva Netto, V. M. R. de Souza, and others.

The grave was covered with a profusion of wreaths including the following from Lily and Tiddy, Sir Robert Ho Tung, The Club de Recreio, members of the Victoria Recreation Club, the China Provident Loan and Mortgage Company, the China Phonograph and Radio Company, the Haplophong Portland Cement Company and others from near relatives and friends.

HEARTENING STORY OF PRAIRIES

Simplicity Keynote Of Fine Novel.

Let the Hurricane Roar. By Rose Wilder Lane. (Longmans, 5s.)

There is an element of shining quality about this book—a natural, as distinct from a mannered, simplicity of statement—which achieves genuine beauty. It is a story of immense fortitude and resource on the part of a young couple who set out with their few belongings to make a home for themselves, ahead of the railway, on the virgin American prairie.

Charles and Caroline, for all the economy of their presentation, are real, vital people, and one's only regret is that the narrative is not carried further than the first terrible year. The agony with which they watch their first magnificent crop devoured by the grasshoppers is nothing short of poignant drama, which is increased when the insects invade their little dug-out home.

Caroline and the baby, while Charles looks for work, are stranded by circumstance through the fierce winter in the dug-out. But he returns in the end, and we leave them happy in each other and facing the future with the same indomitable spirit. This is a heartening story magnificently told.

"THE WORKING MAN POET."

Critical Study Of English Bard.

When Mr. W. H. Davies began to write verse, a good many years ago, he was hailed as the "working man poet." Now he is the poet, and a critical study of him has been written by Mr. Thomas Moulit for Thornton Butterworth. Mr. Moulit regards Mr. Davies as one of the most original figures in English poetry since Robert Herrick. He is giving conversations with him, as well as some hitherto unpublished poems by him.

Solving Crime In A Dream

An Ingenious Piece Of Detection.

Epilogue. By Bruce Graeme. (Hutchinson, 7s. 6d.)

Superintendent Stephens, of the Criminal Investigation Department, fell asleep over a copy of "Edwin Drood."

He dreamed, and in his dream he was given the job of clearing up the mystery. That's a good start for a book, and Mr. Graeme takes full advantage of his excellent idea. Here the Drood mystery that has engaged so many minds is made plain; and whether you accept Mr. Graeme's conclusion or not, you must admire the technique by which the conclusion is arrived at. It would be unfair to Mr. Graeme to hint at his answer to the question that Dickens asked. Make yourself acquainted with it if you would enjoy an ingenious piece of detection.

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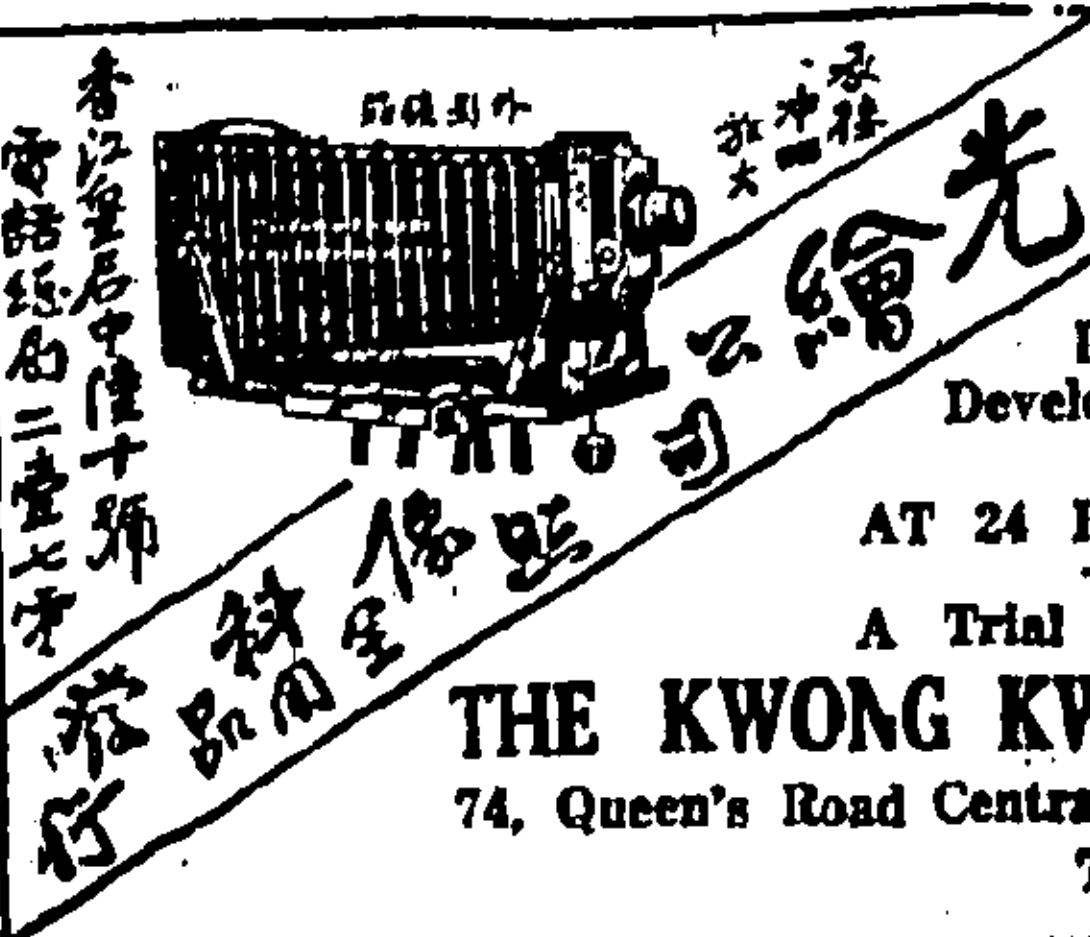
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The China Mail

Hong Kong, Friday, January 12, 1934.

Irish Crisis Looming

After the enactment of the bill to abolish the oath of allegiance in the Irish Free State, Mr. de Valera told the Dail that he hoped to proclaim "the Republic" when the people should have intimated their pleasure on that point. Mr. de Valera has been careful so far to avoid any more definite indication of his purpose. Speaking a few months ago on "forms and symbols of a sovereign nation," he said: "Let us remove these forms one by one, so that this State we control may be a republic in fact, and that, when the time comes, the proclaiming of a republic may be no more than a ceremony, the formal application of a status already attained." Most of those forms and symbols have now been removed. In defiance of the terms of the 1921, a bargain of which the terms can be altered by neither party on its own action alone (as the British Government holds), the Free State Government has abolished the oath of allegiance, the powers of the Governor-General and his privileges as King's representative in the Constitution, and the Empire-wide right of appeal to the King-in-Council. Last month the British Government felt itself bound to take notice of these acts of the Free State Government and Parliament in contravention of the treaty. The repudiation of an association with the Crown clearly provokes a political crisis. No Imperial Conference could ignore the development, and the provocation to Ulster, where the Unionists have been returned at local elections with another overwhelming majority, is direct and potent for mischief. For some time the British Government's disposition has been to allow the de Valera Government time to test the benefits (if any) of its isolationist policy. The loss of trade consequent upon the tariff war with Britain has increased the Free State's financial troubles. Mr. de Valera retains office on his personal popularity with the Southern Irish majority, but even the electors who have supported him dislike prospects of increased taxation and the violence of the I.R.A. For a time there was some prospect that a drawing together of Free State interests opposed to republicanism would provide a natural solution. Mr. Cosgrave, for instance, had been telling Dublin audiences that "a republic for the 26 counties (that is, the Free State) could be had—what it is worth immediately and without Parliamentary difficulty. But who wants it?" What Ireland really wants is Irish union, and Irish union, said Mr. Cosgrave, could come only by agreement and goodwill with Ulster, and within the membership of the British Commonwealth of Nations. Mr. de Valera's difficulty is that, while he may strive for either the ending of Irish partition or the establishment of a Free State Republic, he cannot have both together. Does he mean now to proclaim a Free State Republic and then make a grievance of "British opposition" in the refusal of Ulster to join it? The recent legislation to sever connection with the Crown drew from Mr. Thomas (Secretary for the Dominions) last month a statement that if the Free State meant to denounce its membership of the British Commonwealth it could not expect to retain the advantages accompanying such membership. Mr. de Valera replied that "the Irish people have never sought the responsibilities and privileges of such membership." Since these public exchanges, notes have passed between Dublin and London, and Mr. Thomas held his own in the exchange. Mr. de Valera challenged Mr. Thomas to indicate Britain's intentions in the event of a republic being proclaimed, and Mr. Thomas replied that such a republic would be denied trading advantages with Britain enjoyed by Empire countries, and that Free State citizens resident in British territories would probably be given the choice of remaining British subjects or becoming aliens. Many Irish residents in Britain view the prospect with misgiving. There is every reason why the British Government should do its utmost to avoid the crisis and make another effort to bring about agreement with the Free State Government. The whole Empire should feel the repercussions of such a crisis, despite the announced intention of the British Government to deal with the Free State dispute as one not affecting the dominions. One thing certain is that any such drastic step by the Free State Government as that indicated would antagonise Ulster, and set a greater gulf than ever between the Irish sections. But it seems that the extremists of the I.R.A. are forcing this desperate policy upon their dictator. Mr. MacDermot, vice-president of the United Ireland party, opposed to Mr. de Valera, wrote recently to the "Manchester Guardian" agreeing that "sooner or later I think 'pretty soon' we have got to opt in or out of the Commonwealth." He urged, as all Empire peoples will hope, that at least the issue should be clearly put at such an election, and the merits and demerits of the alternative courses made clear to the Free State people.

HERE, THERE
and
EVERYWHERE

Age Of A Dictator

Marshal Pilsudski is 66 years of age. Until a few years ago one knew his exact age. And no member of his staff dared to ask the gruff dictator for the information. The secret was revealed in 1928.

In that year the still unsettled dispute between Poland and Lithuania was at its height. The Lithuanian dictator, Waldevmaras, had gone to Geneva to arraign the Polish Government before the League Council.

Abruptly, as is his manner, Pilsudski decided to confront Waldevmaras in Geneva.

To cross Germany he needed a diplomatic passport. They require particulars of birth. Reluctantly Pilsudski supplied this information.

Dominoes And Patience

At 66 he is the oldest, but one of the most vigorous of the European dictators.

His only exercise is an early morning walk in the gardens of the Belvedere, the 18th century mansion in which he lives on the outskirts of Warsaw.

He works all day. In the evening he plays dominoes or patience with his daughters, and drinks tea.

His chief ambition is to create good relations for Poland with Russia and Germany. He has succeeded in conciliating the Soviets. He is now engaged in conciliating Germany. He has succeeded in conciliating the Soviets. He is now engaged in conciliating Germany.

Your Daily Smile.

Rival Rackets

Mrs. Flynn—"This neighbourhood seems pretty noisy, Mrs. O'Brien."

Mrs. O'Brien—"Yes, the only time there's any peace here is when the trucks down the noise."

Working It Out

The mistress of the house took a friendly interest in her maid. One day she asked how her love affair was progressing.

"Oh, I've given that fellow up now," said the girl coldly.

The mistress expressed her regret and hoped the girl would be successful another time.

Two days later she saw her maid out with the same young man.

"Mary," she said in tones of surprise when the girl returned. "I thought you told me you had given up that young man?"

"That's right, ma'am, I have," said the girl airily; "but you see what it is, he hasn't finished working in 'out his fortnight's notice yet."

HUSH MONEY

Is what you pay the street musician to go away.

Making Sure

The curtain rang down on the pantomime, and the artistes retired to their dressing-rooms.

"Did you see the lovely bunch of roses handed to me over the footlights?" said the principal body.

"But they were meant for the principal girl," said the fairy princess.

"How do you know that?" asked the principal boy sharply.

"I was with her in the florist's when she ordered them," explained the other.

Why They Were Odd

Little Benny looked up at his mother thoughtfully.

"Mum," he said, a frown on his face, "tell me—did you get me in a bargain basement?"

"What ever makes you think that, Benny?" mother asked.

The boy held up his hand.

"I was just wondering," he replied. "You see, my fingers are all odd sizes."

Facts You Did Not Know.

Although made from a single thickness of metal, a new cap for jars and bottles has a thread invisible from the outside, which is smooth.

French railways and bus owners are experimenting with a flexible glass for windows and windshields that does not crack when it is broken.

An imitation hardwood, capable of taking high polish is being made by a new process that compresses strips of heavy steel rollers.

LADIES OF THE 1933
SCREENVINTAGE YEAR FOR
TALKING-PICTURES

ACTRESSES TAKE HONOURS

(By Seton Margrave.)

The toast is "To the Ladies!" In no previous film year has the ascendancy of the actress over the actor been so complete as in 1933.

I am sure that 1933 will not be remembered as a vintage year, in the world of talking pictures, in spite of its having yielded four very brilliant productions; but this does not in any way detract from the excellence of the work done by women in films in the past twelve months.

On the contrary, there are two circumstances which definitely give additional merit to the work of the women stars.

We have had a number of outstanding performances by men. Looking back, I recall really magnificent acting by Clive Brook in "Cavalcade," by George Arliss in "The Working Man," by Conrad Veidt in "I Was a Spy" and "The Wandering Jew," by Charles Laughton in "The Private Life of Henry VIII," by Wallace Beery in "Flesh," and by John Barrymore in "Rasputin: the Mad Monk."

Also, in looking back on 1933, we have to remember that women were handicapped by the prolonged holidays in Europe of Norma Shearer and Greta Garbo, and we have to say that the work of Ann Harding, Helen Hayes, and Ruth Chatterton has not generally been up to the highest standards associated with their names.

It may, therefore, be said that the opposition from men has been quite formidable and that women have been playing throughout the year considerably under strength.

All the same, the women easily carry off the acting honours in the talking pictures of 1933.

Whom then should we consider to be the star of the year?

We have to consider a number of names, and, although country of origin can have no bearing on our final decision, it will make for simplicity of analysis if we take first the work of British actresses and then the work of American actresses.

British "Stars" Disappoint

I should say that, as a whole, the work of British actresses in Hollywood has been disappointing.

Elissa Landi, whom we have had reason to regard as the leading English actress in Hollywood, has had, in the light of her previous performances, an indifferent year.

Benita Hume, Heather Angel, Elizabeth Allan have been hardly more successful because of lack of real opportunity.

Lillian Harvey has not yet quite reached in Hollywood the standard of her best work in Berlin.

British actresses who have remained in London have fared decidedly better than those who have gone abroad.

Gracie Fields and Cicely Courtneidge have still to find ideal film material, but their popularity has definitely increased.

With regard to American actresses, I note with great pleasure the advancement of Fay Wray and Madge Evans. Both have survived more abused parts than any other twenty actresses in films, so that their advancement is as richly deserved as it is unconsciously belated. Nothing but ingratitude, plus stupidity, on the part of Hollywood—and it is capable of both—can long delay their arrival in the star class.

Kay Francis must be noted for her very polished acting in "Cynara" and Karen Morley for a piece of exceptional emotional work in "Flesh."

Mae West's Sensation

Mae West, by her exploitation of the comedy of unrestraint in "She Done Him Wrong" and "I'm No Angel," has been the sensation of the year in the American film world, but her humour is of too coarse a strain to be generally acceptable to British filmgoers, while her acting is so definitely and defiantly set in one groove as to make it impossible for me to consider her a serious candidate for the film honours of 1933.

Jean Harlow, who might be regarded as an exponent of the same type of drama as Mae West, is very much better because, quite apart from her youth and grace, she has considerable versatility. Many people consider her performance in

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THE DRAGON OF MANCHUKUO.

SEADROME CHAIN FOR ATLANTIC

American Engineer Designs "Islands."

U.S. GOVERNMENT GRANTS \$300,000 FOR TESTS

New York.

Behind the ambitious scheme taken up by the United States Government to span the Atlantic with a chain of huge floating islands, and to provide a 24-hour airplane service between the Old World and the New, lie 16 years of experimenting by an American engineer, Mr. Edward R. Armstrong, of Holyoke Delaware.

His completed designs for the five 'seadromes' to be placed at 500-mile distances between New York, the Azores and Vigo, Spain, contain some spectacular constructional features, believed capable of rendering the islands safe in the worst Atlantic storms and of assuring stable anchorage at depths of 3 1/2 to 4 miles.

As at present proposed, the Armstrong seadromes provide for a landing surface of 6 acres, nearly a quarter of a mile in length and from 50 to 100 yards in width, the broader section representing the central field and the narrower sections extensions at each end. The platforms will ride the water 100 feet above the surface, so that the highest waves can pass beneath them.

Twenty-eight caisson-like columns, or legs, each a hundred yards in length, support the landing surface, the upper portions being fitted with oval-shaped buoyancy tanks, extending from the deck to depths far below the surface. The lower portions of these supports consist of cast-iron columns, weighted at the ends with ballast chambers filled with water and cast-iron or iron ore.

The whole structure is designed to ride the ocean like a gigantic table held aloft in the water by the buoyancy tanks and stabilised by the ballast chambers, which tread the water 200 feet below the surface.

1,500-Ton Anchors. The seadrome landing fields will be clear of all superstructures, hangars for 50 planes and housing accommodation being arranged for in two or three decks immediately below them. The plans provide for elevators large enough to handle planes with a wing span of 120 feet, and for elaborate equipment including hotels, radio stations, directional guiding beams, beacons, ocean-going cutters, derricks and a system of air and water rudders to prevent wind yaw and to aid in keeping the seadromes trailing into the wind.

A saucer-shaped anchor of concrete reinforced with iron, weighing 1,500 tons, is proposed for each seadrome, so designed that it can be floated to the seadrome station and then sunk by flooding. It will require an 18,000-foot cable, to be attached to a large, lighted buoy. The seadrome in turn will be fastened to the buoy by a 1,000-foot cable.

With five seadromes, four west of the Azores and one east, the average flight requirements between stations is set at 600 miles, a distance well within the payload capabilities of modern passenger planes.

\$300,000 Income Foreseen. The United States Government has allotted \$300,000 from its public works fund for immediate experiments with a quarter-section of one of the proposed seadromes, estimated to cost \$1,200,000 each. If five seadromes were constructed, it is calculated that employment for 10,000 men for two to 2 1/2 years would be provided.

The sponsors of the scheme, the Seadrome Ocean Dock Corporation, have expressed their willingness to transfer the rights to the Government in return for an agreement covering the patents, of which they would remain the owners.

Estimating the income likely to be earned by the seadromes, design of the past five years, a which would be open for use trans-Atlantic service without against toll payments by any air-craft, Mr. Armstrong sets the quickly be placed in operation, trans-oceanic passenger, tariff at \$100 a day, with planes of 24-passenger capacity, arriving at a station, such as that set up in total annual income of \$200,000, the South Atlantic with the 'The scheme has aroused criticism from various sources, joined issue with supporters of Some critics assert that, 'with the seadrome project,--Reuter



The 5th Duke of Sutherland. President of the Air League of the British Empire since 1922.—(S. & G.).

CORRESPONDENCE.

MEMORIAL TO W. L. PATTENDEN

[To the Editor, "China Mail."] Sir,—There are many friends of the late Walter Leslie Pattenden who feel that his memory should be perpetuated in this Colony, where for thirty years he lived and worked and served his fellowmen.

For this reason it is proposed to erect in St. John's Cathedral, to which he was devotedly attached, a Memorial Tablet, which by its permanence will secure that W. L. Pattenden be not forgotten.

Owing to the generosity of a local firm, the cost of the tablet will be small, and it is thought that the amount will soon be oversubscribed. If this is so the surplus will be used for the provision of a Book of Services, which by its constant use will be a frequent reminder of him for whom those services were a continual inspiration.

Contributions, no matter how small, towards this memorial fund will be welcomed and acknowledged by either of the undersigned.

Yours etc.,

ALFRED SWANN.

P. S. CASSIDY.

GREATER USE OF INDIAN COTTON

Sir Richard Jackson En Route To India.

COTTON COMMISSIONER APPOINTED

London, To-day.

Sir Richard Jackson, Chairman of the Indian Cotton Enquiry Committee which was set up in Lancashire following the Ottawa Conference, to promote a greater use of Indian Cotton in Lancashire, left London yesterday for India. He will reach Bombay on January 25.

This visit is a further move in the policy, which Lancashire is energetically pursuing, of encouraging and developing a greater use of Indian cotton.

Sir Richard will investigate the problems and conditions existing in India in relation to the work of the Committee and will confer with the Indian Central Cotton Committee, its technological and other Committees, the Bombay Mill Owners' Association and the interests concerned with the marketing of cotton in various districts.

He will also visit the Sukkur Barrage in Sind and several of the botanical research stations where experiments to improve the staple of Indian cottons are being conducted.

One of the developments of the Indian Cotton Enquiry Committee has been the appointment of Mr. R. Fleming as Cotton Commissioner, who will remain in India and act as liaison officer between the raw cotton trade there and Lancashire users of Indian cotton.—British Wireless Service.

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REGULATIONS FOR PILLION-RIDING

Summons Under The New Order.

OFFENDER FINED

One of the first cases under the new police order demanding that motor-cyclists be equipped with pillion seats of regulation form when carrying a passenger, was brought before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Police Court this morning when Li Cheung, driver of motor cycle No. 18, was summoned for carrying a passenger not on a pillion seat, riding an unlicensed motor cycle and being without an appropriate driving license.

Traffic Sergeant Clark prosecuted and the defendant pleaded guilty. He said that he had a learner's license and had recently returned from Shanghai and did not know that a pillion seat was required when a passenger was carried.

Traffic Inspector Nicol informed the Court that the defendant's learner's license expired in September last.

The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$10 on each count.

LORRY DAMAGES PRIVATE CAR.

Collision Near New Bank Site.

DRIVER FINED \$15.

At the instance of Mr. Morris Davies, driver of private car No. 580, a Chinese lorry driver, Yuen Yu, was summoned at the Central Police Court this morning for negligent driving in Des Voeux Road Central on December 14 last. The defendant pleaded not guilty.

Mr. Davies in evidence said that he had just entered Des Voeux Road from Queen's Road East when he saw the defendant's lorry in the centre of the road opposite the site of the new Bank building. He sounded his horn but the driver took no heed and just as he came abreast of the lorry it moved backwards, colliding with his rear mud-guard.

The defendant declared that his lorry was stationary when the collision occurred.

The Magistrate disbelieved his statement and imposed a fine of \$15, in default three weeks' imprisonment.

MISHAP ON BOARD SUBMARINE.

Leading Seaman's Eye Injured.

ACCIDENTAL DISCHARGE OF AIR PISTOL

Suffering from injury to an eye as the result of an accidental discharge of an air pistol, Leading Seaman Dawson of H.M. Submarine Pandora was last night admitted to the Royal Naval Hospital.

The incident occurred on board the submarine which is now undergoing refit at the Cosmopolitan Dock, Kowloon.

The affair is stated to have been a pure accident, but an official enquiry is being made. Leading Seaman Dawson's condition is reported to be not serious.

To-day's Short Story.

THE GOOD THING

By Colin Davy.

"YPERION a good thing! Good thing me foot!" exclaimed the small wizened man at the end of the bar. He sucked his teeth, spat accurately and added with disgust: "There ain't no such thing as a racing certainty now-a-days."

The youthful speaker whose discourse had been interrupted turned to glance in disdain at the stranger who had spoken; but something in the latter's appearance suggested more intimate association with racing stables than that gleaned from the pink mid-day leaflet which protruded from his own pocket. He tempered his sneering remark on his lips to the inquiry: "Wasn't two stone in hand a good thing in your day, Dad?"

The little old man sucked his teeth and spat again. "No, it weren't," he remarked shortly. "I suppose in your day they looked one up in the Gold Cup to win the seller at Windsor on Saturday," suggested the youth, winking slyly at his companions.

"There were good things to bet on without h'anything extravagant o' that sort," said the little man, gazing meditatively into his empty glass. "In those days when the money was down there weren't no ifs nor buts. No... Nor no short ends either. They did win..."

The landlord winked encouragingly at the group and tilted the gin bottle into the old man's glass, who needed no further encouragement to begin his tale.

"It was more than forty years ago," he began, "and I was with Jack Quick wot trained at Puddlecombe Folly near Wantage. He hadn't many patrons 'adn't Quick, and those there were seldom paid their bills; so the establishment got the reputation of bein' a bettin' stable. That only means that the tradespeople needn't bother to present their bills until after the stable had a winner. We had a poor lot of 'osses, mostly selling platers and one or two which at four or five years old were still waiting to win a maiden race. 'Owver, Quick by name and quick by nature, the guv'nor usually had a good thing

waiting for when the bailiff's men got too thick on the ground.

"There was no high-falutin' trade union ideas in those days about one lad doin' two 'osses. I often did three or four and in bad times four or five. Nor was there any rule about a fiver a winner; usually one was on a hiding to nothing." (The little man emptied his glass and sav'd it refilled with wistful watery eyes.) "Well, one of the 'osses I did was a grey colt called Monastic Calm. 'E was by Glastonbury out of Evergreen Hymn. 'E was well named; 'e was that calm 'e was only fit to carry monks to Matins. Lord Watercress 'ad paid nine thousand for 'im as a yearling and we'd all 'oped 'e'd win the Derby.

"Well by the time 'e was risin' five the closest 'e'd got to classic honours was third in a selling race with only four runners and the winner disqualified. Monastic Calm! 'E was well named, 'e wouldn't walk across 'is box to see if 'is manger was full; 'e 'ad to be fed in a bucket where 'e stood or 'e'd 'ave starved to death. 'E'd stand for hours with 'is eyes shut resting as many legs as possible with 'is lower lip hanging lookin' more like a sea lion than an 'oss whose sire 'ad won the Derby.

TO-MORROW'S STORY

To-morrow's story will be "The Hollow Man," by Thomas Burke.

"I could never understand why 'is lordship didn't sell the quad, 'e'd 'ave done well in front of the Life Guards with kettle drums at either side to wake him up, but young Watercress 'e was a hoplitist 'e was and kept saying, 'E'll come to 'isself one o' these days. All 'e needs is time. 'Is lordship was right; 'e did need time—about five minutes to the furlong....

"Well one day I was leanin' against the grey 'oss's stable door talking to Betty Quick, the guv'nor's daughter—she was a nice piece of goods and no slower than her name implied—when the most unusual thing 'appened.

"The 'oss, wot 'ad been standing like a statue since I'd called 'im in the early morning, began to move. We both stood watchin' as if it was a ghost. As a rule nothin' less than 'arf a dozen clouts on the backside and the beating of a tin bucket would make 'im lift a foot. And there 'e was a moving of 'is own accord. Very slowly 'e came toward us, poked 'is nose over the door, and sniffed. Then suddenly, quick as a monkey, 'e makes a grab an' scuttles back into the far corner of 'is box.

"Lawks!' screams Betty, 'E's took the sausage!' And sure enough there 'e was with a string of Palethorpe's sausages from her basket a'nging from 'is mouth and the queerest look in 'is eye you ever did see. There was no Monastic Calm about him. He looked proper savage.... baleful, that's what he was. As if 'e said, 'You try to take one link o' these 'ere sausages and I'll....

"Well, it was such a nasty look we didn't try. We watched those sausages disappear link by link like paper ribbon out of a conjuror's hat.... but backwards, on if you know what I mean....

The teller of the story watched his glass being refilled with a melancholy absorption and continued: "That night I noted a change when I dressed the 'oss down, 'e swished 'is tail twice and when I brought 'im in feed 'arf turned his 'ead lookin' for more sausages I suppose. I didn't think much of it, but at work early next morning 'e went so different it might have been another animal. Usually I 'ad to scrub and kick at 'im to make 'im keep up with the youngsters cantering, but this mornin' instead of being last of the bunch by 20 yards 'e kept level with the last pair.

"After stables I went to Betty and begged some scraps of meat from the kitchen—not much, but the knuckle end of a 'am and some pork chops wot 'ad gone tainted and I gave 'em to the grey 'oss. 'E ate 'em, bones and all, and when I went to feed 'im in the evening 'e turned right round in 'is box and whinnled as any other 'oss would 'ave done at evenin' feed. And would you believe me, next morning 'e galloped a fair treat uplides with old Bacchus 'ood once won a forty pound seller at Paryley.

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DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE

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During the conversation Mr. Henderson informed the British Foreign Secretary of the nature of the communications he had received on the question of adequate guarantees for the loyal execution of the convention, on which he had to report to the Conference.

The forthcoming marriage between Hippolyte Maria Xavier, Clerk in the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, and Anna Francesca Nunes, of 558, Nathan Road, Kowloon, is announced.

Mr. Henderson intimated that he hoped to be able to leave London on Tuesday. He will break his journey at Paris and proceed to Geneva on Wednesday.

He hopes to hold a meeting of the officers of the Bureau on Friday in order to take a decision as to the date of meeting of the Bureau.

DINNER DANCE AT CHINA EMPORIUM.

Returned Students' Union.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

A successful and enjoyable event took place last evening, when the Euro-American Returned Students' Union held their annual Dinner Dance at the Cafe de Luxe, China Emporium. Over 100 members attended, with many friends and guests. The arrangements were under the direction of Mr. I. S. Wan, Past President of the Union.

During the dinner officers for the coming year were appointed by ballot, as follows:—President, Mr. Hin-shing Lo; Secretary, Mr. Peter Sin; Treasurer, Mr. Wong Man-kyong; General Committee, Messrs. K. L. Chau, I. S. Wan, M. K. Lo and Andrew Cheung.

In Anglo-Irish Controversy



That Great Britain is keeping Ireland within the Empire by suppressing to employ force of arms, and that if it were not for this Great Britain President De Valera (left) in his latest controversy with J. H. Thomas, British Secretary of Dominion (right), over Ireland's right to secede from the British Empire.



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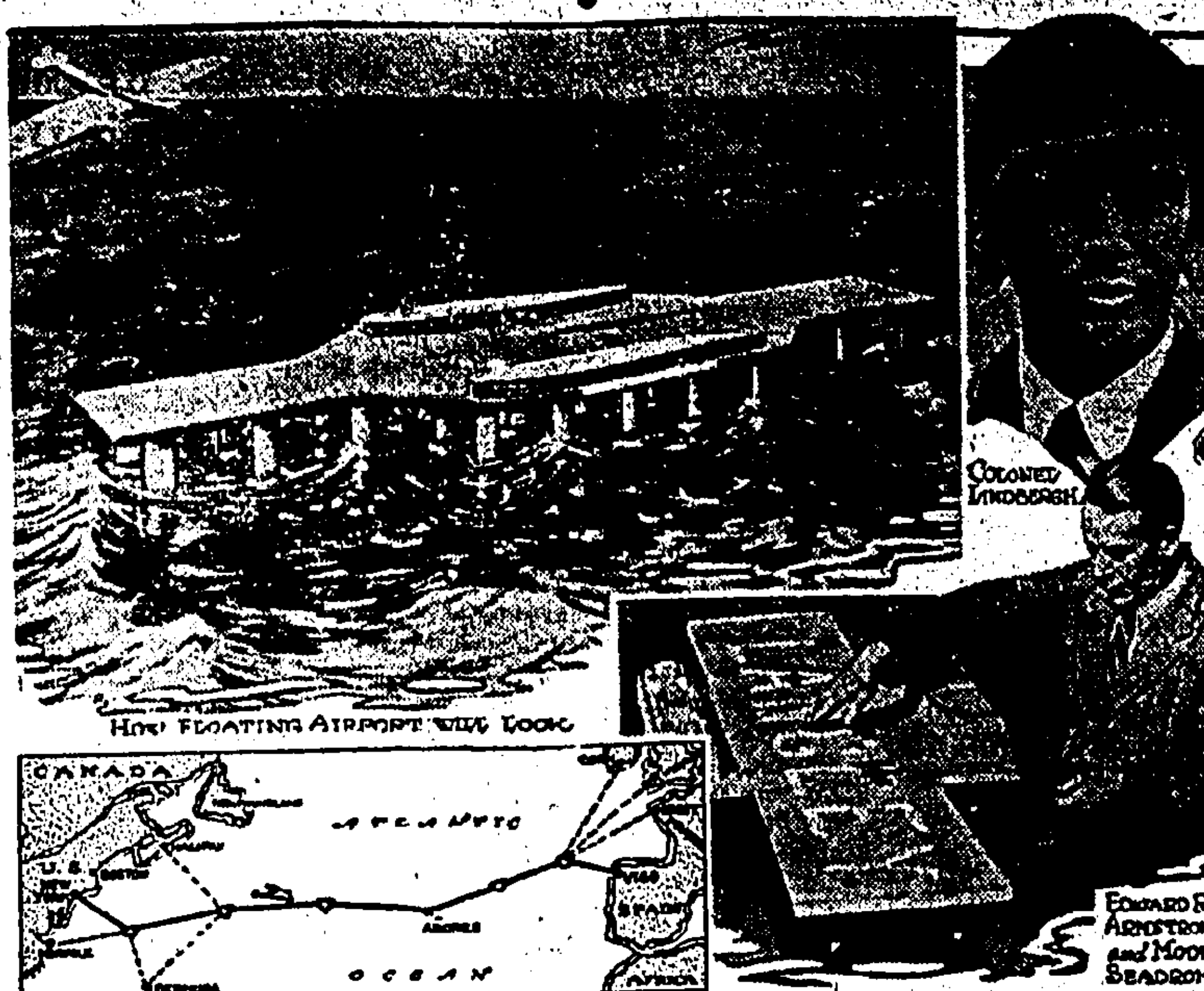
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THE GOOD THING

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"At first I'd thought of keeping the thing to myself, but the 'oss' improvement was so great and the price of meat so 'igh there was no choice but to tell the guv'nor. You should 'ave seen 'is face when I told him. But when 'ed seen the grey eat three pound of cat's meat and a leg of lamb wot 'ad been left in the sun that the butcher could spare and seen 'im lick all the selling platters into a cocked 'at next morning, 'e went away very very cogitatus.

"Later 'e takes me on one side and sez: 'Nat me lad (Nathaniel's me name) we'll keep this to our two selves, and 'oo knows perhaps get a packet o' money out of the old quod. No one else is to know. You'll feed 'im 'is meat o' nights when all the other lads is gone and from now on you'll work the 'oss alone."

"'But 'ow are we to know 'ow 'e improves?' sez I.

"'You have that to me,' sez 'e. 'I can fix up a trial one early morning with a 'oss of me brother's over on Beecham Down. We'll find out if 'e's improved all right when the time comes."

"Well, I'd 'ate to think what 'e cost the guv'nor in legs of mutton and sides of beef. But 'e wasn't one to spare the golden eggs that 'atch the goose. The best of everything wasn't good enough for Monastic Calm after 'e'd looked 'im over the mile once or twice. Course I couldn't say wot the timing was, but I know how me arms ached and 'ow the wind whistled past when he was a going. It was more like ridin' on the Flying Scotsman than ridin' a gallop. It fair took the breath out of a chap.

"Well, after about a month we 'ad a secret trial with an 'oss wot belonged to the guv'nor's brother. I didn't know what the weights was, but Monastic Calm beat the other

'oss by twenty yards and 'e was never going more than 'arf speed neither.

"That night I asked the guv'nor: 'When are we goin' to run the grey? Ain't it time we made something to pay the butcher?'

"Master Quick smiled and said: 'We're going to wait until Newmarket, and the butcher can wait until then too.'

"'In a seller?' sez I.

"'No, you fool. In the Cambridgehire, sez 'e; 'The 'oss will get about seven stone and will be a certainty.'

"I suppose I said somethin' about flyin' too high, but 'e cuts in quick and supercilious 'Do you know what 'oss it was you beat this morning? It was Bachelor, 'im what was second in the Eclipse. And you gave 'im stone. Now go and give the grey 'oss 'is entree and joint.

"Well, when I thought it over I realised what that meant. We'd got the fastest 'oss in the world.

"With seven stone in the Cambridgehire 'e'd probably win by a 'undred yards; 'e'd be like a racing car amongst a lot of push bicycles.

"Now in those days you could bet. Bookies were bookies. They didn't say the book's closed after you'd put a measly hundred on a 'oss. They'd take all you cared to lay and open their mouths for more. When the entries appeared our 'oss was quoted at a 'undred to one, which meant we could back 'im to win us a fortune without risking much.

"Well, a week before the race I was sent off with the 'oss to a farm on the Suffolk side o' Newmarket, where we lay low to avoid the touts. My orders was to 'ack him out in clothing in the afternoons when no one expected any 'oss to gallop, strip 'im quietly beind the ditch, give 'im a breazer and off back to the farm before anyone saw.

"I always finished the gallop not far from the Cambridgehire winnin' post, where another lad waited with a second set of clothing and a couple of loin chops for the 'oss as a sort of encourager. Comin' across the flat the grey seemed to smell those loin chops, and.... well, flyin' isn't the word. I often laughed to meself and thought of the crowd when they'd see this unknown grey 'oss 'undreds of yards in front of the others. I could almost 'ear them askin' themselves wot's this out in front? 'It would be the biggest sensation there'd ever been.

"Well, the night before the race I went to the subscription rooms with Mr. Quick to 'ear them call over the card. The guv'nor 'adn't backed him with a penny up till then, and he was a hundred and fifty to one in some places and two hundred in others. Mr. Quick started very quietly in fifty and pointed, but by the time we comes out the price 'ad shortened to thirty-three. The guv'nor and I went and 'ad one at a quiet pub near by and tota up what 'e stood to win.

"The old man panned, drained his glass, and added: 'Mr. Quick stood to win over seventy-five thousand pounds, and I was to 'ave two per cent."

"The group at the bar waited in gaping silence while the landlord

refilled the empty glass, but it seemed that the teller of the tale was in no hurry to continue. He sipped his gin and hot water slowly and his glance wandered sorrowfully about the whisky advertisements on the wall.

At last one spirit bolder than the rest interrupted his reverie.

"Did it win, sir?" he asked.

The old man nodded. "Aye. Monastic Calm won by a furlong" He drained his glass and reached for his cap, but somehow the group were aware that his story was not ended.

"And the bookmakers paid up all that money?" ventured one.

The old man shook his head. "No," he said, "the jockey couldn't weigh in, the 'oss was disqualified. You see, there was no boy with loin chops after the winning post, and I suppose the 'oss was 'ungry. He threw the little lad wot rode him" and ate him, boots and all.... Good-night."

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COLLISION OFF PORTUGAL

Cape Town.
A stirring sea drama, in which the Llandovery Castle took part and in which two steamers came into collision in a fog off the coast of Portugal, one of them sinking with the loss of 14 lives, was recalled when the intermediate Union Castle liner, Llandovery Castle, docked here from England.

When off the coast of Portugal, the Llandovery Castle picked up a message from the Spanish steamer Romeu asking for immediate help and steamed in her direction.

The Romeu was sighted at day-break and the Llandovery stood in very close. Her captain was told that during the previous night's fog the Romeu had rammed another Spanish vessel, sinking her. Fourteen of the crew were drowned, but the master and five of the crew had been picked up.

The Romeu was badly damaged and was making water fast. Her bows were dented and blackened and it was feared that the collision bulkhead would not stand the strain. Her captain was anxious to reach Oporto and the Llandovery Castle escorted the Romeu, both travelling at a speed of eight knots an hour. They arrived off the coast about four hours later. The Romeu then signalled that she required no further assistance and the Llandovery continued on her way, having been taken 107 miles out of her course. The passengers were highly excited and for the rest of the day spotted innumerable bodies and hats, though the officers saw nothing except some wreckage. —Reuter.

MAN SLEEPS FOR THREE MONTHS.

Queer Case Puzzles
Croatian Medics

Specialists are on their way to the village of Ratar in Croatia to see The Man Who Will Not Wake Up.

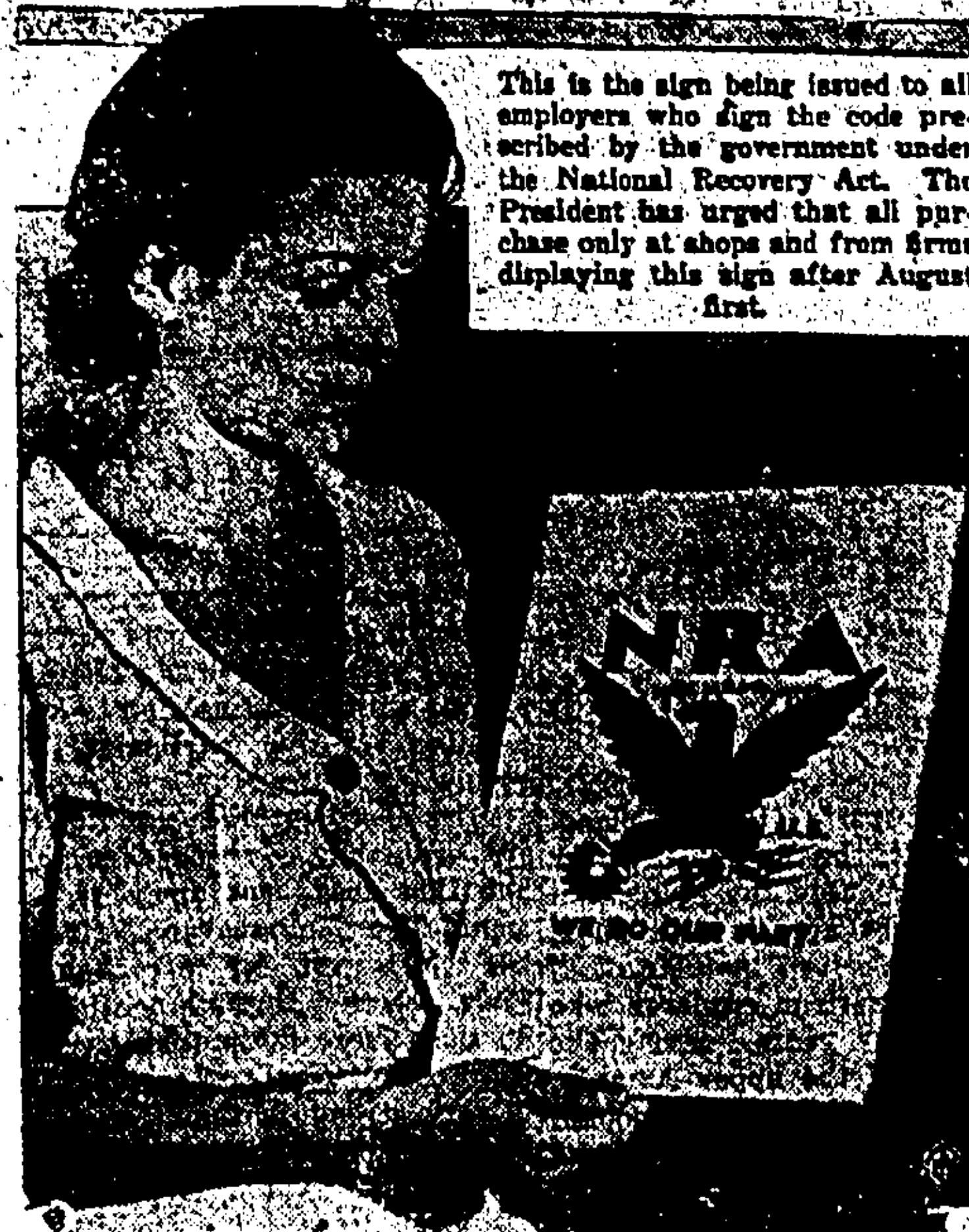
His name is Velemir Csokor and, according to reports, he has been sleeping for three months now.

All efforts to awaken him have proved futile—although he is unmistakably alive, his heart and pulse being normal. —Reuter

THE 2-LB. MUSHROOM

In the hills near Mantegna, Italy, a peasant has picked perhaps the largest mushroom on record. Its weight is over 2 lbs. —Reuter.

Signs for Nira Cooperators



This is the sign being issued to all employers who sign the code prescribed by the government under the National Recovery Act. The President has urged that all purchase only at shops and from firms displaying this sign after August first.

Ladies Of The 1933 Screen

(Continued from Page 3).

"Dinner at Eight" the best work in this the most glittering all-star production of the year.

Then I think Alice Brady deserves commendation for her interpretation of fluttering, helpless womanhood. She has brought to talking pictures a new and distinctive brand of comedy all the more laughable because it approaches so near to reality. In "Ring Up the Curtain" she is brilliant.

Among older actresses, May Robson and Henrietta Crosman have had an excellent year.

May Robson, who put up a magnificent performance in "Mother's Millions," was forgotten for a time, but she is back again with "Lady For a Day" and "One Man's Journey," and is to be starred in her own right.

In "Pilgrimage," which is one of the most impressive films of the year, Henrietta Crosman is outstanding as the relentless, unforgiving mother.

The New "Garbo"

That leaves us with Mrs. Ludlow Smith, whose name before her marriage was Katharine Houghton Hepburn, and whose intimate friends are privileged to call her Katie.

Just how much of the film eminence achieved by Katharine Hepburn is due to solid merit and

how much to youthful arrogance is not yet clear.

Her assets are a natural gift for acting, an unusual angular appearance which she is at great pains to accentuate, an emphasis of personality probably inherited from her mother, who was one of the leading militant suffragettes of America, and an education exceptional in the film world and regarded by it as a miracle.

Circumstances making her way easy have been her good fortune in having the three best women's parts of the year, the benefit of one of the cleverest pieces of salesmanship yet devoted to establishing an actress in the favour of filmgoers, and appearing in the film world in a year setting up a new record for its scarcity of fine performances.

Katharine Hepburn is the most challenging figure of the film year—but I do not agree with those who have so easily called her a genius. I do not agree with those who have raved about her from the moment she first appeared in "A Bill of Divorcement."

My memory of that drama carries me back to a far more lovely and logical and far more polished and poignant performance than that by Katharine Hepburn.

Were I to join the company of the idolaters of Katharine Hepburn and call her a genius, I should first have to find some greater word to describe the memory of Meggie Albani.

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F.A. CUP

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Possibly the Spurs have lived to thank the day Luton knocked them out, since it allowed Tottenham to go straight forward for promotion.

Fulham Memories

Fulham's trip to Liverpool will conjure up memories of a drawn game Fulham played at Anfield in the Cup a few seasons back, and of a famous relay at Craven Cottage which Fulham won which saw their goalkeeper, Ernie Becham, now "keeping" for Queen's Park Rangers, carried about der high off the field by hundreds of spectators who swarmed the pitch after a glorious display on Becham's part.

Fulham are doubtless hoping that so far as the result goes history will repeat itself, but they will have to play much better than in recent matches to have a chance of holding Liverpool.

Brentford's splendid display of late will give them strong hopes of being able to pull through at Hull against the team now known as the "offside experts," captained by the famous old international Jack Hill. They have played their two League games—2-2 at Brentford and 0-0 at Hull.

Regarding the chances of the other London clubs, neither Queen's Park Rangers nor Clapton Orient will be fancied very strongly to get over the hurdles that have been set for them.

Villa's Hurdle

Aston Villa, whose Cup-fighting traditions and performances are better than those of any other club, might easily slip at their first hurdle this season, for they have been drawn to play at Cheltenham, easily the strongest team in the Northern Section of the Third Division.

Of the two clubs outside the Football League taking part in this afternoon's draw, Workington have been given a home engagement with Gabahead, and stand a chance of winning. Cheltenham have also been drawn at home, but will scarcely expect to beat Blackpool.

Cheltenham's Cup progress reads like a fairy tale. They were beaten in a preliminary round and yet went into the third.

Before the Third Division teams came in, Cheltenham went to Llanelly and drew. To the surprise of many they lost the replay at home by 2 goals to 1.

That was not the end, Llanelly were disqualified for playing in a kit which was not of the prescribed pattern, and the replay was drawn. Cheltenham then went to the Birmingham team, and won 2-0, and then to the North Eastern League.

RECREIO "A" CHALLENGED IN CAER CLARK CUP

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The Recreio juniors are playing Miss L. Botelho in place of Miss C. Almeida in the forward line, but otherwise the team is unchanged. The "Y" Ladies, the only team without a fixture, will be seen in a friendly match against the Hong Kong Ladies' second eleven at King's Park at 8.15 p.m.

The following are the teams:—
H. K. Ladies:—M. Bird, E. Gray, B. Helbling, M. Wallace, B. Pope, M. K. Lower, E. Bell, J. Daniels, E. Bonnar, J. Churchill and E. Goldman.

C.B.S.:—D. Moss, E. Ingram, J. Bryson, J. de Chaffoy, M. McCaw, J. Lakeman, H. Knill, L. Hickey, Joy Booker, J. Booker, and B. Bonneau.

St. Andrew's:—R. Rose, G. White, E. Landolt, I. Woolley, J. Wong, M. Churn, F. Wong, I. Rogers, M. Woolley, L. Gittins and P. Gittins.

Recreio "B":—G. Rozar, T. Noronha, O. Botelho, M. Xavier, E. Rosario, Y. Britto, M. Westarhott, G. Botelho, O. Ribeiro, I. Botelho, and M. Figueiredo.

C.B.A. Ladies:—Mrs. Webber, P. Woolley, Miss S. K. Walker, E. Beavis, M. Bryson, M. Whitley, E. Woolley, Mrs. Miles, M. Smith, D. Hunt, and Mrs. Cresser.

Recreio "A":—D'Almeida, M. Berto, C. Osmund, L. Xavier, M. Alves, L. Silva-Netto, M. Remedios, A. Alves, C. Silva, M. Roza and P. Remedios.

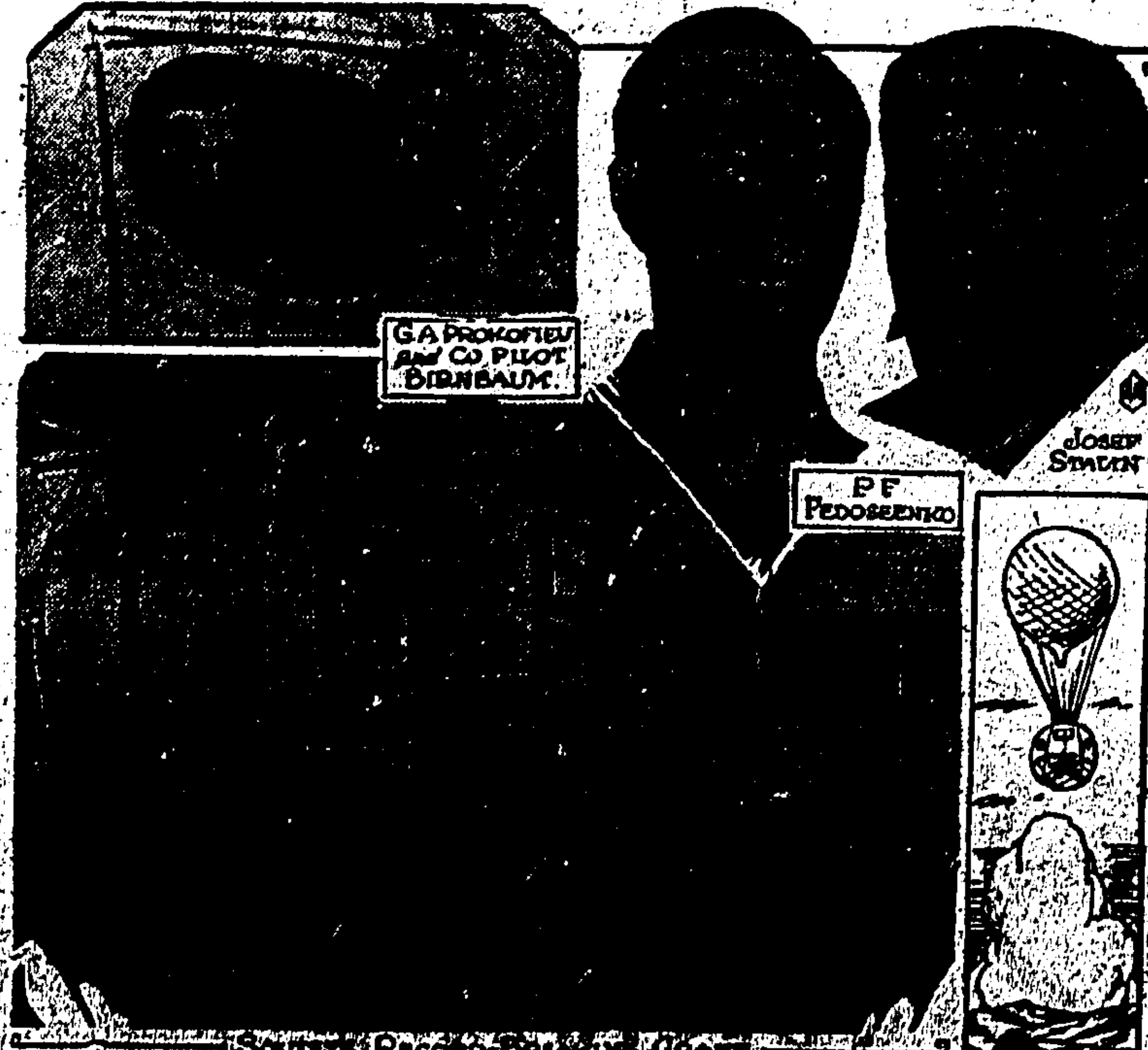
H. K. Ladies 2nd XI:—S. Baskett, J. Smalley, B. Helbling, B. Hanco, A. Owen-Hughes, A. N. O'Brien, S. Jefferies, J. Whyte, M. Smalley, P. Ferguson and R. King.

H.K. Ladies:—J. Waller, M. Portall, H. A. Fowler, M. Gardiner, E. Thomson, B. Blumenthal, M. Griffiths, L. Blackmore, M. Read, P. McCaw and O. Brown.

the Border, Cheltenham were involved in a scene at Cardiff when the incensed crowd tried to tear the referee limb from limb.

After all this excitement, Cheltenham, who are managed by Fred Blackburn, the former Villa half-back, drew 5 home matches against Blackpool, from that point on in the Cup, and Cheltenham, by the way, are in the Birmingham competition, and Workington in the North Eastern League.

Soviet to Follow Up Stratosphere Success



Encouraged by the success of the first Soviet flight into the stratosphere, Russian aviation authorities are planning a series of flights which will begin next Spring and be carried out at the rate of one a week. To insure a wide participation has been started for these flights, the necessary craft. Under the direction of P. F. Fedoseyenko, who conceived the first flight, it is proposed to build a stratosphere balloon of much greater proportions than the U.S.S.R. which, piloted by George Pocock and E. E. Birmingham, attained an altitude of 11.2 miles recently, to shatter all existing records. The plan of the stratosphere program was announced as a prize in "Pravda" the Soviet newspaper for Italy.



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Definite reports that Colonel P. H. Fawcett, the British explorer who disappeared in the Brazilian jungles 8 years ago, is still alive, have been received by Mr. Carl Liddle, the American explorer who lived for many years among the head-hunters of the upper Amazon. Because Mr. Liddle was adopted into the head-hunter nation and given the honorary title of "Chief," he has kept up his contacts with the interior, and his latest news from Quito is that two white men, whom he believed to be Colonel Fawcett and his son, are being held prisoners in the Matto Grosso district by Indians who regard physical possession of the pair as "lucky witchcraft." Their inability to make any attempt to escape is explained by Mr. Liddle as being due to the fact that they are probably kept under the influence of certain semi-narcotic drugs.

Mr. Liddle adds: "The head-hunter tribes of Brazil are experts in the use of narcotics. As a matter of fact, their only religion is a sort of drug-worship. While they know nothing about chemistry or scientific medicine, they have learned

by centuries of experience that certain plants and roots produce strange effects, hallucinations and visions which they ascribe to spirits residing in the particular plant used.

"Enemies captured by the tribe are ordinarily beheaded promptly, but this does not apply to white men. The Indians are afraid to kill white men, for fear that their souls, released through death, would do them more harm than the living white men. The soul-revenge motif is very strong in their beliefs, and it is overmastering in the case of white men, whom they regard as representatives of a God-like race capable of extraordinary revenge.

"So a white prisoner is usually guarded very carefully. But his food is drugged, subtly and progressively, with the idea of making the spirits of the plants fight the spirit of the white man.

"I think that both the Fawcetts will eventually be found, probably somewhat broken in mind and body. But the effects of the Indian drugs can soon be overcome if the men are brought out of the jungle and given a few months of careful attention in a non-tropical climate. I know this, because I myself had quite a time getting over the effects of the drugged food which I ate for three years in the head-hunter country."—Reuter.

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The creditors are the well known firm of jewellers of Moritz Krauss. Madame Jeritza gave a large order to the jewellers in better times and paid them altogether about £2,500. She then went to America where she was so seriously ill that she was unable to fulfil her contracts and consequently the balance of the bill remained unpaid.

In an effort to recover the sum owing Madame Jeritza's Vienna flat was entered by the brokers but they could find nothing to seize as all the valuables belonged to her husband.

Madame Jeritza when first summoned declared that she was quite ready to return the jewellery but the plaintiffs would not agree to this on account of the serious fall in the price of such articles.—Reuter.

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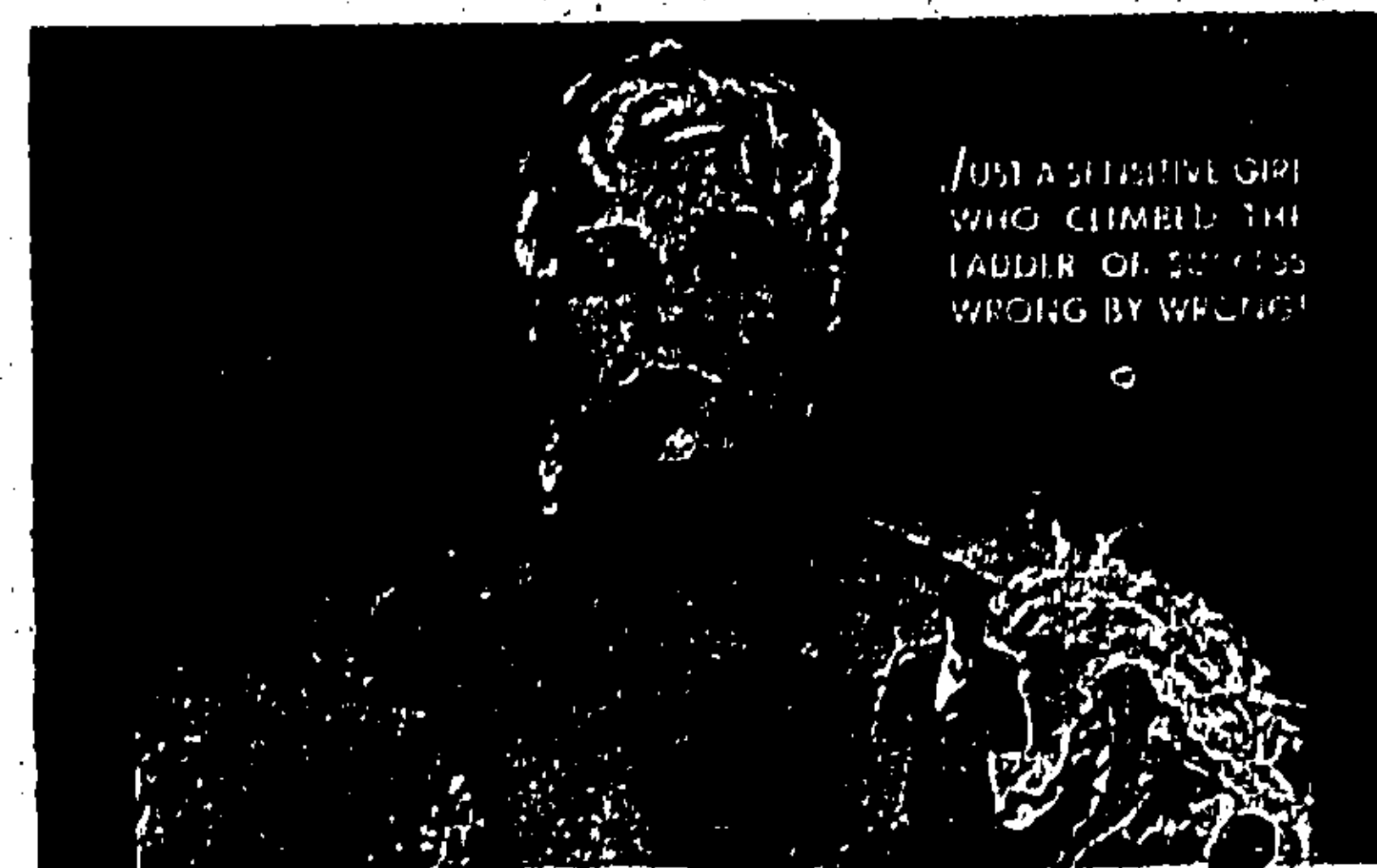
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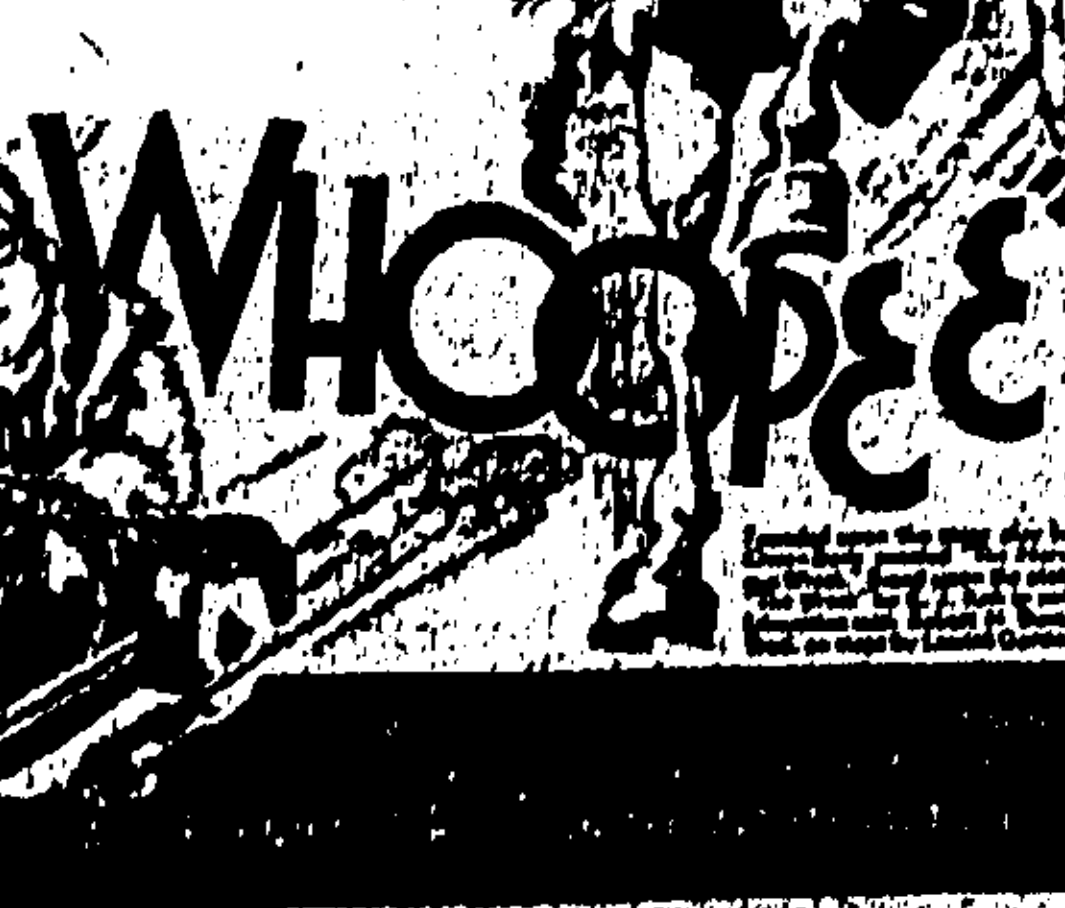
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